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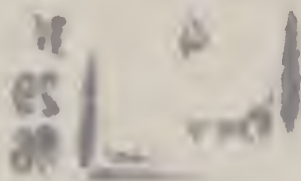


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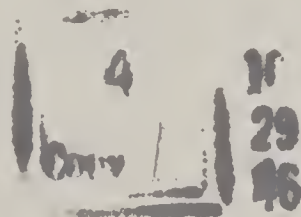
PUBLIC RESOLUTION NO. 249, SEVENTY-SEVENTH CONGRESS

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That Public Resolution Numbered 126 (46 Stat. 1481), approved March 2, 1931 (U. S. C., title 44, sec. 275B), authorizing the printing of the proceedings of the national encampments of certain veterans' organizations in the United States be, and is hereby, amended to read as follows:

"That hereafter the proceedings of the national encampments of the Grand Army of the Republic, the United Spanish War Veterans, the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, the American Legion, the Military Order of the Purple Heart, and the Disabled American Veterans of the World War, respectively, shall be printed annually, with accompanying illustrations, as separate House documents of the session of the Congress to which they may be submitted."

Approved, September 18, 1941.

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¹ Died in office.

LETTER OF SUBMITTAL

NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS,
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,
Seattle, Wash., April 30, 1946.

To the SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES :

Pursuant to the provisions of Public Resolution No. 249, Seventy-seventh Congress, approved September 18, 1941, there is transmitted herewith the Journal of the Proceedings of the Seventy-ninth National Encampment, held at Columbus, Ohio, September 30–October 4, 1945, which is submitted for printing as a House document.

ISAAC W. SHARP.
Adjutant General.

ENCAMPMENT ROLL LIST OF COMMITTEES

MEMBERSHIP OF THE SEVENTY-NINTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT

The total number of names appearing on the roll of the seventy-ninth national encampment, as shown by the following table, is 174. Deducting 75 previously reported, the net voting strength is 99.

National officers, past national officers, and departments	Department officers	Delegates	Past department commanders	Past senior vice department commanders	Past junior vice department commanders	Total	Deduct previ- ously reported	Net voting strength
National officers entitled to vote-----						7	-----	7
National council of adminis- tration-----						25	1	24
Past commanders in chief-----						4	3	1
Past senior vice commanders in chief-----						5	2	3
Past junior vice commanders in chief-----						5	4	1
Past Adjutants-General-----						2	1	1
California and Nevada-----	4	2	8			14	5	9
Colorado and Wyoming-----	4		1			5	2	3
Connecticut-----	2					2	1	1
Delaware-----	1					1	1	
Idaho-----	1					1	1	
Illinois-----	4	1	3			8	5	3
Indiana-----	4		1		1	6	3	3
Iowa-----	4	1	2			7	4	3
Kansas-----	4	1	1			6	2	4
Kentucky-----	3					3	1	2
Maine-----	4	1	2			7	3	4
Massachusetts-----	1					1	1	
Michigan-----	4	1	2		1	8	3	5
Minnesota-----	4		1			5	3	2
Missouri-----	1					1	1	
Nebraska-----	4		2			6	3	3
New Jersey-----	1					1	1	
New York-----	4	1	4		1	10	6	4
Ohio-----	4	1	4			9	4	5
Oklahoma-----	4	1	1			6	3	3
Oregon-----	1		1			1	1	
Pennsylvania-----	3		1			4	2	2
Utah-----	1		1			2	2	
Washington and Alaska-----	4		3			7	3	4
Wisconsin-----	4	1	1			5	3	2
Total-----	75	11	39	-----	3	174	75	99

ROLL OF SEVENTY-NINTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC

COLUMBUS, OHIO, SEPTEMBER 30-OCTOBER 4, 1945

NATIONAL OFFICERS

Commander in Chief

ISAAC W. SHARP,¹ Warsaw, Ind.

Senior Vice Commander in Chief

JOHN M. GUDGEL,¹ Shenandoah, Iowa

Junior Vice Commander in Chief

HIRAM R. GALE,¹ Seattle, Wash.

Chaplain in Chief

ROBERT M. ROWND,¹ Ripley, N. Y.

Adjutant General

RUSSELL C. MARTIN,² Los Angeles, Calif.

Quartermaster General

JOHN C. ADAMS,¹ Jonesboro, Ind.

National Patriotic Instructor

THEODORE A. PENLAND,¹ Portland, Oreg.

National Chief of Staff

WILLIAM P. LOCKWOOD,² Kankakee, Ill.

¹ Present.

² Entitled to vote as member of national council of administration.

NATIONAL COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION

California and Nevada : John W. Smith, Santa Cruz, Calif.
Colorado and Wyoming : Robert F. Bryan, Boulder, Colo.
Connecticut : Charles Douglas, New Haven, Conn.
Delaware : Isaiah Fassett, Berlin, Md.
Idaho : Israel A. Broadsword, Samuels, Idaho.
Illinois : William P. Lockwood,¹ Kankakee, Ill.
Indiana : John F. Smith, Marion, Ind.
Iowa : John P. Martin, Sutherland, Iowa.
Kansas : Alonzo McMurphy, Sterling, Kans.
Kentucky : Robert Barrett, Princeton, Ky.
Maine : George H. Jones,¹ Oxford, Maine.
Massachusetts : Charles B. Burt, Springfield, Mass.
Michigan : Orlando H. LeValley,^{1 2} Caro, Mich.
Minnesota : Albert Woolson, Duluth, Minn.
Missouri : William H. Osborn,² Joplin, Mo.
Nebraska : R. E. Coleman¹, Lincoln, Nebr.
New Jersey : William H. Perrine, Plainfield, N. J.
New York : Frank E. Cooley, Rensselaer, N. Y.
Ohio : Lewis M. Heiston, Pleasantville, Ohio.
Oklahoma : Sylvester Patterson, Tonkawa, Okla.
Oregon : Theodore A. Penland,^{2 3} Portland, Oreg.
Pennsylvania : Alfred W. Gabrio, Hazleton, Pa.
Utah : Ira Stormes,² Salt Lake City, Utah.
Washington and Alaska : Francis Yeager, Centralia, Wash.
Wisconsin : Henry Alexander, King, Wis.

¹ Executive committee.

² Present.

³ National patriotic instructor.

PAST NATIONAL OFFICERS

PAST COMMANDERS IN CHIEF

B. F. Stephenson ² (provisional) (died Aug. 30, 1871) -----	1866
S. A. Hurlbut, ² Illinois (died Mar. 27, 1882) -----	1866-67
John A. Logan, ² Illinois (died Dec. 26, 1886) -----	1868-70
Ambrose E. Burnside, ² Rhode Island (died Sept. 18, 1881) -----	1871-72
Charles Devens, ² Massachusetts (died Jan. 7, 1892) -----	1873-74
John F. Hartranft, ² Pennsylvania (died Oct. 17, 1899) -----	1875-76
John C. Robinson, ² New York (died Feb. 18, 1897) -----	1877-78
William Earnshaw, ² Ohio (died July 17, 1885) -----	1879
Louis Wagner, ² Pennsylvania (died Jan. 15, 1914) -----	1880
George S. Merrill, ² Massachusetts (died Feb. 17, 1900) -----	1881
Paul Van Dervoort, ² Nebraska (died July 29, 1902) -----	1882
Robert B. Beath, ² Pennsylvania (died Nov. 25, 1924) -----	1883
John S. Kountz, ² Ohio (died June 14, 1909) -----	1884
Samuel S. Burdett, ² Potomac (died Sept. 24, 1914) -----	1885
Lucius Fairchild, ² Wisconsin (died May 22, 1896) -----	1886
John P. Rea, ² Minnesota (died May 28, 1900) -----	1887
William Warner, ² Missouri (died Oct. 4, 1916) -----	1888
Russell A. Alger, ² Michigan (died Jan. 24, 1907) -----	1889
Wheelock, G. Veazey, ² Vermont (died Mar. 22, 1898) -----	1890
John Palmer, ² New York (died Apr. 15, 1905) -----	1891
A. G. Weissert, ² Wisconsin (died Apr. 24, 1923) -----	1892
John G. B. Adams, ² Massachusetts (died Oct. 19, 1900) -----	1893
Thomas G. Lawler, ² Illinois (died Feb. 3, 1908) -----	1894
Ivan N. Walker, ² Indiana (died Sept. 22, 1905) -----	1895
T. S. Clarkson, ² Nebraska (died Jan. 16, 1915) -----	1896
John P. S. Gobin, ² Pennsylvania (died May 10, 1910) -----	1897
James A. Sexton, ² Illinois (died in office, Feb. 5, 1899) -----	1898
W. C. Johnson, ² Ohio (died Apr. 27, 1917) -----	1899
Albert D. Shaw, ² New York (died Feb. 10, 1901) -----	1899
Leo Rassieur, ² Missouri (died June 1, 1929) -----	1900
Ell Torrance, ² Minnesota (died Feb. 18, 1932) -----	1901
Thomas J. Stewart, ² Pennsylvania (died Sept. 11, 1917) -----	1902
John C. Black, ² Illinois (died Aug. 17, 1915) -----	1903
Wilmon W. Blackmar, ² Massachusetts (died in office, July 16, 1905) -----	1904
John R. King, ² Maryland (Promoted July 16, 1905; died Mar. 3, 1934) -----	1905
James Tanner, ² New York (died Oct. 2, 1927) -----	1905
Robert B. Brown, ² Ohio (died July 30, 1916) -----	1906
Charles G. Burton, ² Missouri (died Feb. 25, 1926) -----	1907
Henry N. Nevius, ² New Jersey (died Jan. 28, 1911) -----	1908
Samuel R. Van Sant, ² Minnesota (died Oct. 3, 1936) -----	1909
John E. Gilman, ² Massachusetts (died Feb. 20, 1921) -----	1910
Harvey M. Trimble, ² Illinois (died Jan. 10, 1918) -----	1911
Alfred B. Beers, ² Connecticut (died Mar. 31, 1920) -----	1912
Washington Gardner, ² Michigan (died Mar. 31, 1928) -----	1913
David J. Palmer, ² Iowa (died Nov. 5, 1928) -----	1914
Elias A. Monfort, ² Ohio (died July 29, 1920) -----	1915
W. J. Patterson, ² Pennsylvania (died Nov. 6, 1926) -----	1916
Orlando A. Somers, ² Indiana (died June 9, 1921) -----	1917
Clarendon E. Adams, ² Nebraska (died Feb. 23, 1924) -----	1918
James D. Bell, ² New York (died in office, Nov. 1, 1919) -----	1919
Daniel M. Hall, ² Ohio (promoted Nov. 4, 1919, died Oct. 19, 1925) -----	1919
William A. Ketcham, ² Indiana (died Dec. 27, 1921) -----	1920

² Deceased.

PAST COMMANDERS IN CHIEF—Continued

Lewis S. Pilcher, ² New York (died Dec. 24, 1934)-----	1921
James W. Willett, ² Iowa (died May 13, 1940)-----	1922
Gaylord M. Saltzgaber, ² Ohio (died Aug. 25, 1930)-----	1923
Louis F. Arensberg, ² Pennsylvania (died Sept. 20, 1934)-----	1924
John B. Inman, ² Illinois (died Dec. 15, 1929)-----	1925
Frank A. Walsh, ² Wisconsin (died Mar. 5, 1932)-----	1926
Elbridge L. Hawk, ² California and Nevada (died Aug. 13, 1930)-----	1927
John Reese, ² Nebraska (died July 5, 1935)-----	1928
Edwin J. Foster, ² Massachusetts (died Sept. 11, 1939)-----	1929
James E. Jewel, ² Colorado and Wyoming (died Nov. 7, 1939)-----	1930
Samuel P. Town, ² Pennsylvania (died July 9, 1937)-----	1931
William P. Wright, ² (died in office, June 15, 1933)-----	1932
Russell C. Martin, ⁴ Los Angeles, Calif., (promoted June 15, 1933)-----	1933
Russell C. Martin, ⁴ Los Angeles, Calif. (elected Sept. 21, 1933)-----	1933
Alfred E. Stacy, ² New York (died Mar. 9, 1940)-----	1934
Oley Nelson, ² Iowa (died Apr. 15, 1938)-----	1935
C. H. William Ruhe, ² Pennsylvania died (May 20, 1941)-----	1936
Overton H. Mennet, ² California and Nevada (died Jan. 25, 1941)-----	1937
Robert M. Rownd, ³ Ripley, N. Y.-----	1938
John E. Andrew, ² Illinois (died in office, June 30, 1940)-----	1939
A. T. Anderson, ² Pennsylvania (promoted June 30, 1940) (died Sept. 15, 1944)-----	1939
William W. Nixon, ² Kansas (died Mar. 17, 1944)-----	1940
George A. Gay, ² Massachusetts (died Dec. 15, 1944)-----	1941
John S. Dumser, Oakland, Calif.-----	1942
George H. Jones, ⁵ Oxford, Calif.-----	1943

PAST SENIOR VICE COMMANDERS IN CHIEF

James B. McKean, ² New York (died Jan. 6, 1879)-----	1866-67
Joshua T. Owen, ² Pennsylvania (died Nov. 7, 1887)-----	1868
Lucius Fairchild, ² Wisconsin (died May 23, 1896)-----	1869-70
Louis Wagner, ² Pennsylvania (died Jan. 15, 1914)-----	1871-72
Edward Jardine, ² New York (died Mar. 13, 1896)-----	1874
Joseph S. Reynolds, ² California and Nevada (died Sept. 18, 1911)-----	1875-76
Elisha M. Rhodes, ² Rhode Island (died Jan. 14, 1917)-----	1877
Paul Van Dervoort, ² Nebraska (died July 29, 1902)-----	1878
John Palmer, ² New York (died Apr. 15, 1905)-----	1879
Edgar D. Swain, ² Illinois (died Apr. 28, 1904)-----	1880
Charles L. Young, ² Ohio (died September, 1913)-----	1881
W. E. W. Ross, ² Maryland (died Nov. 14, 1907)-----	1882
William Warner, ² Missouri (died Oct. 4, 1916)-----	1883
John P. Rea, ² Minnesota (died May 28, 1900)-----	1884
Seldon Connor, ² Maine (died July 9, 1917)-----	1885
S. W. Backus, ² California and Nevada (died Apr. 10, 1930)-----	1886
Nelson Cole, ² Missouri (died July 31, 1899)-----	1887
Moses H. Neil, ² Ohio (died Dec. 29, 1929)-----	1888
A. G. Weissert, ² Wisconsin (died Apr. 24, 1923)-----	1889
Richard F. Tobin, ² Massachusetts (died in office, Nov. 22, 1890)-----	1890
George H. Innis, ² Massachusetts (elected Apr. 7, 1891; died Jan. 19, 1907)-----	1891
Henry W. Duffield, ² Michigan (died July 13, 1912)-----	1891
R. H. Warfield, ² California and Nevada (died July 19, 1906)-----	1892
Ivan N. Walker, ² Indiana (died Sept. 22, 1905)-----	1893
A. P. Burchfield, ² Pennsylvania (died Jan. 8, 1910)-----	1894
E. H. Hobson, ² Kentucky (died Sept. 13, 1901)-----	1895
John H. Mullen, ² Minnesota (died Apr. 3, 1907)-----	1896
Alfred Lyth, ² New York (died Dec. 15, 1924)-----	1897
W. C. Johnson, ² Ohio (elected commander in chief Sept. 5, 1899; died Apr. 27, 1917)-----	1898
Daniel Ross, ² Delaware (elected Sept. 5, 1899; died Mar. 26, 1916)-----	1899
Irvine Robbins, ² Indiana (died Feb. 9, 1911)-----	1899
Edwin C. Milliken, ² Maine (died Oct. 21, 1921)-----	1900
John McElroy, ² Potomac (died Oct. 12, 1929)-----	1901

² Deceased.³ Chaplain in chief.⁴ Adjutant general.⁵ National council of administration.

PAST SENIOR VICE COMMANDERS IN CHIEF—Continued

William M. Olin, ² Massachusetts (died Apr. 18, 1911)-----	1902
C. Mason Kinne, ² California and Nevada (died Dec. 25, 1913)-----	1903
John R. King, ² Maryland (commander in chief July 17, 1905; died Mar. 3, 1934)-----	1904
George W. Patten, ² Tennessee (promoted July 17, 1905; died Sept. 19, 1906)-----	1905
George W. Cook, ² Colorado and Wyoming (died Dec. 17, 1916)-----	1905
William A. Armstrong, ² Indiana (died Sept. 28, 1914)-----	1906
Lewis E. Griffith, ² New York (died Oct. 6, 1912)-----	1907
J. Kent Hamilton, ² Ohio (died Dec. 29, 1918)-----	1908
William M. Bostaph, ² California and Nevada (died Apr. 8, 1935)-----	1909
Charles Burrows, ² New Jersey (died Mar. 17, 1935)-----	1910
Nicholas W. Day, ² New York (died Mar. 6, 1916)-----	1911
Henry Z. Osborne, California and Nevada (died March, 1923)-----	1912
Thomas H. Soward, ² Oklahoma (died Aug. 12, 1918)-----	1913
Joseph B. Griswold, ² Michigan (died in office, Mar. 9, 1915)-----	1914
William F. Conner, ² Texas (promoted Mar. 10, 1915; died Mar. 1, 1919)-----	1915
George H. Slaybaugh, ² Potomac (died Feb. 9, 1929)-----	1915
William H. Wormstead, ² Massachusetts (died Aug. 16, 1938)-----	1916
John L. Clem, ² Potomac (died May 13, 1937)-----	1917
John G. Chambers, ³ Oregon-----	1918
Charles B. Wilson, ² California and Nevada (died Dec. 1, 1928)-----	1919
George A. Hosley, ² Massachusetts (died May 13, 1930)-----	1920
Robert W. McBride, ² Indiana (died May 15, 1926)-----	1921
C. S. Brodbent, ² Texas (died Apr. 23, 1931)-----	1922
Frank A. Walsh, ² Wisconsin (died Mar. 5, 1932)-----	1923
Wilfred A. Wetherbee, ² Massachusetts (died Nov. 13, 1930)-----	1924
Oscar A. Janes, ² Michigan (died Apr. 26, 1933)-----	1925
A. G. Beatty, ² Iowa (died Nov. 17, 1928)-----	1926
Calvin A. Brainard, ² New York (died Jan. 12, 1936)-----	1927
James E. Jewel, ² Colorado and Wyoming (died Nov. 7, 1939)-----	1928
Charles E. Nason, ² Maine (died Sept. 15, 1932)-----	1929
Jacob Secrest, ² Ohio (died Nov. 26, 1935)-----	1930
Oley Nelson, ² Iowa (died Apr. 15, 1938)-----	1931
Russell C. Martin, ⁴ Los Angeles, Calif. (commander in chief June 15, 1933)-----	1932
Charles E. Jones, ² Alabama (promoted June 15, 1933; died Dec. 26, 1933)-----	1933
Thomas H. Peacock, ² Minnesota (died in office, Jan. 23, 1934)-----	1933
Edwin H. Lincoln, ² Massachusetts (promoted Jan. 23, 1934; died Oct. 15, 1938)-----	1934
Harding I. Merrill, ² Kansas (died June 22, 1937)-----	1934
A. C. Estabrook, ² Michigan (died Feb. 12, 1941)-----	1935
Henry F. Russell, ² Ohio (died Dec. 3, 1937)-----	1936
Henry Held, ² Wisconsin (died Aug. 6, 1939)-----	1937
Frank L. Quade, ² Iowa (died May 9, 1945)-----	1938
A. T. Anderson, ^{2 5} Washington, Pa. (commander in chief, June 30, 1940) (died Sept. 15, 1944)-----	1939
William W. Nixon, ^{2 5} Kansas (promoted June 30, 1940; died March 17, 1944)-----	1940
Thomas Ambrose, Chicago, Ill-----	1940
Thomas Ridenour, ⁷ Crestline, Ohio-----	1941
Isaac W. Sharp, ¹ Warsaw, Ind-----	1942
Lansing A. Wilcox, Cadoit, Wis-----	1943

PAST JUNIOR VICE COMMANDERS IN CHIEF

Robert S. Foster, ² Indiana (died Mar. 3, 1903)-----	1866
Joseph R. Hawley, ² Connecticut (died Mar. 18, 1905)-----	1866-69
Louis Wagner, ² Pennsylvania (died Jan. 15, 1914)-----	1870
James Coey, ² California (died July 14, 1918)-----	1871
J. Warren Keifer, ² Ohio, died Apr. 22, 1933)-----	1871-72
Edgar Ferguson, ² Wisconsin (died Sept. 18, 1901)-----	1873
Guy T. Gould, ² Illinois (died Mar. 4, 1919)-----	1874
Charles J. Buckbee, ² Connecticut (died Nov. 5, 1896)-----	1875-76

¹ Present.² Deceased.³ Honors lost by withdrawal from the order.⁴ Adjutant general.⁵ Past commander in chief.⁷ Surgeon general.

PAST JUNIOR VICE COMMANDERS IN CHIEF—Continued

William Earnshaw, ² Ohio (died July 17, 1885)-----	1877
Herbert E. Hill, ² Massachusetts (died Apr. 8, 1892)-----	1878
Harrison Dingman, ² Potomac (died Sept. 26, 1925)-----	1879
George Bowers, ² New Hampshire (died Feb. 14, 1884)-----	1880
C. V. R. Pond, ² Michigan (died June 9, 1912)-----	1881
I. S. Bangs, ² Maine (died May 30, 1903)-----	1882
Walter H. Holmes, ² California and Nevada (died Mar. 26, 1889)-----	1883
Ira E. Hicks, ² Connecticut (died Mar. 23, 1919)-----	1884
John R. Lewis, ² Georgia (died Feb. 8, 1900)-----	1885
Edgar Allen, ² Virginia (died Oct. 28, 1904)-----	1886
John C. Linehan, ² New Hampshire (died Sept. 19, 1905)-----	1887
Joseph Hadfield, ³ New York-----	1888
John F. Lovett, ² New Jersey (died Mar. 27, 1926)-----	1889
George B. Creamer, ² Maryland (died Sept. 16, 1896)-----	1890
T. S. Clarkson, ² Nebraska (died Jan. 16, 1915)-----	1891
Peter B. Ayars, ² Delaware (died Jan. 19, 1904)-----	1892
J. C. Bigger, ² Texas (died Sept. 24, 1900)-----	1893
Charles H. Shute, ² Louisiana (died Nov. 26, 1907)-----	1894
S. G. Cosgrove, ² Washington and Alaska (died Mar. 28, 1909)-----	1895
Charles W. Buckley, ² Alabama (died Dec. 4, 1906)-----	1896
Francis B. Allen, ² Connecticut (died July 26, 1921)-----	1897
Daniel Ross, ² Delaware (senior vice, Sept. 6, 1899; died Mar. 26, 1916)---	1898
Michael Minton, ² Kentucky (died Oct. 9, 1911)-----	1899
Frank Seaman, ² Tennessee (died Nov. 20, 1910)-----	1900
James O'Donnell, ² Illinois (died Feb. 15, 1910)-----	1901
James P. Averill, ² Georgia (died Oct. 12, 1904)-----	1902
Harry C. Kessler, ² Montana (died Sept. 10, 1907)-----	1903
George N. Patton, ² Tennessee (senior vice, July 17, 1905; died Sept. 19, 1906)-----	1904
Ephraim B. Stillings, ² Massachusetts (elected Sept. 4, 1905; died Dec. 30, 1917)-----	1905
Silas H. Towler, ² Minnesota (died Apr. 23, 1930)-----	1905
E. B. Fenton, ² Michigan (died Nov. 19, 1927)-----	1906
William M. Scott, ² Georgia (died Aug. 29, 1928)-----	1907
Charles C. Royce, ² Potomac (died Feb. 11, 1923)-----	1908
Alfred B. Beers, ² Connecticut (died Mar. 31, 1920)-----	1909
William James, ² Florida (died Dec. 11, 1923)-----	1910
William A. Ogden, ² Kansas (died Oct. 31, 1914)-----	1911
Americus Whedon, ² Kentucky (died Oct. 18, 1921)-----	1912
A. S. Fowler, ² Arkansas (died Oct. 18, 1922)-----	1913
W. F. Conner, ² Texas (senior vice, Mar. 10, 1915; died Mar. 1, 1919)-----	1914
Oscar A. Janes, ² Michigan (elected Apr. 1, 1915; died Apr. 26, 1933)-----	1915
Le Vant Dodge, ² Kentucky (died Mar. 6, 1925)-----	1915
E. K. Russ, ³ Louisiana-----	1916
John M. Vernon, ² Illinois (died Nov. 20, 1921)-----	1917
Charles H. Haber, ² Virginia (died Nov. 30, 1927)-----	1918
Isidore Isaacs, ² New York (died Feb. 18, 1924)-----	1919
J. E. Gandy, ² Washington and Alaska (died June 5, 1934)-----	1920
Henry A. Johnson, ² Potomac (died Dec. 5, 1935)-----	1921
C. V. Gardner, ² South Dakota (died Dec. 15, 1930)-----	1922
George T. Leech, ² Maryland (died Aug. 4, 1940)-----	1923
John Reese, ² Nebraska (died July 5, 1935)-----	1924
William O. Allen, ² New Jersey (died Sept. 22, 1931)-----	1925
Charles H. Haskins, ² California and Nevada (died Oct. 16, 1933)-----	1926
Samuel E. Mahan, ² Minnesota (died Sept. 20, 1940)-----	1927
Henry J. Kearney, ² New York (died Apr. 30, 1933)-----	1928
James W. Shields, ² Idaho (died Dec. 17, 1933)-----	1929
Charles H. Lewis, ² Rhode Island (died May 1938)-----	1930
Russell C. Martin, ⁴ Los Angeles, Calif-----	1931
Charles E. Jones, ² (senior vice, June 15, 1933; died Dec. 26, 1933)-----	1932
Arthur Dawson, ² Illinois (elected Sept. 18, 1933; died Apr. 7, 1940)-----	1933

² Deceased.³ Honors lost by withdrawal from order.⁴ Adjutant general.

PAST JUNIOR VICE COMMANDERS IN CHIEF—Continued

Edwin H. Lincoln, ² Massachusetts (senior vice, Jan. 23, 1934; died Oct. 15, 1938)-----	1933
John E. Andrew, ² Illinois (elected Apr. 27, 1934; died June 30, 1940)----	1934
George H. Pounder, ² Wisconsin (died Dec. 10, 1936)-----	1934
Overton H. Mennet, ² California and Nevada (died Jan. 25, 1941)-----	1935
Thomas Ambrose, ⁵ Chicago, Ill-----	1936
Robert M. Rownd, ⁷ Ripley, N. Y-----	1937
John W. Carroll, ² North Dakota (died March 3, 1942)-----	1938
William W. Nixon, ² Kansas (senior vice, June 30, 1940; died Mar. 17, 1944)-----	1939
William H. McCoy, ² New Jersey (elected Sept. 9, 1940; died Nov. 16, 1941)---	1940
Rustan O. Reed, ² Washington (died Feb. 23, 1942)-----	1940
John S. Dumser, ⁸ Oakland, Calif-----	1941
Charles H. Perry, ² Minnesota (died 1944)-----	1942
Hiram H. Shumate, ¹ Riverton, Ill-----	1943

PAST ADJUTANTS GENERAL—LIVING

Darwin B. Wolcott, Los Angeles, Calif-----	1933
Thomas Ambrose, ⁵ Chicago, Ill-----	1940

¹ Present.
² Deceased.
⁵ Past senior vice commander in chief.
⁷ Chaplains in chief.
⁸ Past commander in chief.

DEPARTMENTS

[The figures within parentheses indicate the number of each department in the order of permanent organization]

CALIFORNIA AND NEVADA (10)

[Organized February 21, 1868. Membership, December 31, 1944, 26. Posts, 12]

<i>Department commander</i> -----	CHARLES L. CHAPPELL, Long Beach
<i>Senior vice department commander</i> -----	WILLIAM ADAMS, Santa Monica
<i>Junior vice department commander</i> -----	WILLIAM CRANDALL, Santa Ana
<i>Assistant adjutant general</i> -----	HENRY M. MINGAY, Glendale

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

John E. Miller, ² (provisional), 1867.	E. L. Hawk, ² 1910.
James Coey, ² 1868-69.	H. V. Parker, ² 1911.
W. L. Campbell, ² 1870.	W. R. Thomas, ² 1912.
W. E. McArthur, ² 1871-72.	G. M. Stormont, ² 1913.
W. H. Aiken, ² 1873-74.	B. B. Tuttle, ² 1914.
A. Carlson, ² 1875.	Hiram P. Thompson, ² 1915.
A. C. Bagley, ² 1876.	A. E. Leavitt, ² 1916.
S. W. Backus, ² 1877.	C. H. Haskins, ² 1917.
S. P. Ford, ² 1878-79.	John H. Roberts, ² 1918.
C. Mason Kinne, ² 1880-81.	R. C. Martin, ⁴ Los Angeles, 1919.
W. A. Robinson, ² 1882.	George D. Kellogg, ² 1920 (died in office).
J. W. Staples, ² 1883.	G. M. Burlingame, ² 1920.
James M. Davis, ² 1884.	William H. Noll, ² 1921.
R. H. Warfield, ² 1885.	S. W. Hopkins, ² 1922.
W. R. Smedburg, ² 1886.	James R. Milner, ² 1923.
E. S. Salomon, ² 1887.	George W. Grannis, ² 1924.
T. H. Goodman, ² 1888.	C. S. Stoddard, ² 1925.
George E. Gard, ² 1889.	Peter H. Mass, ² 1926.
A. J. Buckles, ² 1890.	W. A. Packard, ² 1927.
W. H. L. Barnes, ² 1891.	H. H. Woodruff, ² 1928.
J. B. Fuller, ² 1892.	Darwin B. Wolcott, ⁵ Los Angeles, 1929.
E. C. Seymour, ² 1893.	John C. Chapman, ² 1930.
J. M. Walling, ² 1894.	A. E. Vest, ² 1931.
C. E. Wilson, ² 1895.	J. S. Dumser, ⁷ Oakland, 1932.
T. C. Masteller, ³ 1896.	O. H. Mennet, ² 1933.
N. P. Chipman, ² 1897.	Wm. H. Bostaph, ² 1934 (died in office).
Sol Cahen, ² 1898.	George N. Lockwood, Los Angeles, 1935.
A. F. Dill, ² 1899.	S. R. Yoho, ² San Francisco, 1936.
George M. Mott, ² 1900.	John W. Grimes, ² 1937.
George Stone, ² 1901.	F. R. Young, ² 1938.
W. G. Hawley, ² 1902.	Robert C. Blair, ² 1939.
William R. Shafter, ² 1903.	Calvin H. Blanchard, Oakland, 1940.
Charles T. Rice, ² 1904.	Elisha Ames, W. Los Angeles, 1941.
W. W. Russell, ² 1905.	Oliver H. Castle, ² 1942.
William C. Alberger, ² 1906.	John W. Smith, ⁶ Santa Cruz, 1943.
William G. Waters, ² 1907.	Henry M. Mingay, ⁸ Glendale, Calif., 1944.
Samuel Merrill, ² 1908.	
W. S. Daubenspeck, ² 1909.	

² Deceased.

³ Honors lost by withdrawal from the order.

⁴ Adjutant general.

⁵ Past adjutant general.

⁶ National council of administration.

⁷ Past commander in chief.

⁸ Assistant adjutant general.

CALIFORNIA AND NEVADA—Continued

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS—continued

J. Clyde Millar,² 1893, transferred from Alabama.
 George Hoxworth,² 1897, transferred from Arizona.
 James P. Rhodes,² 1920, transferred from Arizona.
 D. P. Kyle,² 1921, transferred from Arizona.
 H. F. Wallace,² 1916, transferred from Arkansas.
 U. S. Hollister,² 1897, transferred from Colorado and Wyoming.
 R. H. Mellette,² 1907, transferred from Colorado and Wyoming.
 P. Q. Stoner,² 1913, transferred from Georgia and South Carolina.
 Silas Wilson,² 1919, transferred from Idaho.
 Joseph S. Reynolds,² 1877, transferred from Illinois.
 John J. Steadman,² 1892, transferred from Iowa.
 O. H. Coulter, 1899,² transferred from Kansas.
 Perry H. Manchester,² 1900, transferred from Montana.
 A. V. Cole,² 1885, transferred from Nebraska.
 Clarendon E. Adams,² 1895, transferred from Nebraska.
 John W. Edwards,² 1902, transferred from New Mexico.
 H. B. Steward,² 1910, transferred from New Mexico.
 John C. Gipson,² 1902, transferred from New York.
 William A. Bentley,² 1891, transferred from North Dakota.
 J. P. Cummings,² 1894, transferred from Oklahoma.
 James E. Burns,² 1901, transferred from Oklahoma.
 W. H. Hornaday,² 1907, transferred from Oklahoma.
 W. S. Tilton,² 1920, transferred from Oklahoma.
 M. V. Lucas,² 1884–1886, transferred from South Dakota.
 E. T. Langley,² 1890, transferred from South Dakota.
 Phillip Lawrence,² 1900, transferred from South Dakota.
 Thomas E. Blanchard,² 1902, transferred from South Dakota.
 M. A. Breeden,² 1900, transferred from Utah.
 William M. Bostaph,² 1902, transferred from Utah.
 Frank M. Davis,² 1904, transferred from Washington and Alaska.
 W. H. Wiscombe,² 1910, transferred from Washington and Alaska.
 John J. See,² 1917, transferred from Washington and Alaska.
 O. D. McDonald,² 1920, transferred from Washington and Alaska.
 A. H. DeGroff,² 1901, transferred from Wisconsin.

² Deceased.

COLORADO AND WYOMING (21)

(Organized as the Department of Colorado in 1868; reorganized in 1876 as Department of the Mountains; name changed to Colorado, July 31, 1882; name changed to Colorado and Wyoming, August 28, 1889. Membership, December 31, 1944, 5. Posts, 3)

Department commander----- GEORGE METZ, Fort Collins.
Assistant adjutant general----- ROBERT F. BRYAN,⁴ Boulder.

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

Frederick J. Bancroft, ² 1876.	William H. McDonald, ² 1910.
Andrew W. Taylor, ² 1878-79.	Dexter T. Sapp, ² 1911.
John W. Donnellan, ² 1880-82.	Henry M. Minor, ² 1912.
Eugene K. Stimson, ² 1882-83.	Cyrus A. Brooks, ² 1913.
Byron L. Carr, ² 1884.	O. S. Reed, ² 1914.
Aninman, V. Bohn, ² 1885.	Frank O. Burdick, ² 1915.
Henry Bowman, ² 1886.	James Moynahan, ² 1916.
George Ady, ² 1887.	James H. Comstock, ² 1917.
John W. Browning, ² 1888.	Asa Curl, ² 1918.
Thomas J. Fisher, ² 1889.	Carroll M. Bills, ² 1919.
Delos L. Holden, ² 1890.	Marshall S. Crawford, ² 1920.
George W. Cook, ² 1891.	James E. Jewel, ² 1921.
John C. Kennedy, ² 1892.	Samuel J. Capps, ² 1922 (died in office).
Myron W. Reed, ² 1893.	A. W. Hogle, ² 1923.
Nathaniel Rollins, ² 1894.	William Butler, ² 1923.
Nichols J. O'Brien, ² 1895.	J. C. Plank, ² 1924.
Horace O. Dodge, ² 1896.	J. L. Randall, ² 1925.
U. S. Hollister, ² 1897 (See California and Nevada).	W. M. Robertson, ² 1926.
Wm. T. S. May, ² 1898.	J. E. Laycock, ² 1927.
Andrew Royal, ² 1899.	C. Ricketts, ² 1928.
Harper M. Orahoad, ² 1900.	W. E. Moses, ² 1929 (died in office).
Linus E. Sherman, ² 1901.	R. Q. Tenney, ² 1929.
James W. Huff, ² 1902.	David N. Heiser, ² 1930.
Harrison S. Vaughn, ² 1903.	E. C. Condit, ² 1931.
Thomas J. Downen, ² 1904.	Alba J. Rawson, ² 1932-33.
George W. Curfman, ² 1905.	Chas. H. Pridmore, ² 1934.
Loren C. Dana, ² 1906.	Tobias Mattox, ² 1935.
Richard H. Mellette, ² 1907 (see Cali- fornia and Nevada).	R. H. Hoffman, ² 1936.
Henry C. Watson, ² 1908.	Joshua C. Pearce, ² 1937.
John W. Wingate, ² 1909.	Lewis H. Easterly, ² 1938-43 (died in office).
William W. Ferguson, ² 1910 (died in office).	(George Metz, ³ Fort Collins, 1943-1945 (died in office).

² Deceased.

³ Department commander.

⁴ National council of administration.

CONNECTICUT (6)

(Organized April 11, 1867. Membership, December 31, 1944, 2. Post, 1)

Department commander----- CHARLES DOUGLAS,⁴ New Haven.
Senior vice department commander----- HIRAM DAVIS, Ridgefield.

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

Edward Harland,² 1867.
 Theodore G. Ellis,² 1868-69.
 William A. Mallory,² 1870-71.
 L. A. Dickinson,² 1872-73.
 Charles S. Buckbee,² 1874-75.
 William E. Disbrow,² 1876-77.
 Frank G. Otis,² 1878.
 Frank E. Fowler,² 1878-79.
 George S. Smith,² 1880.
 Alfred B. Beers,² 1881.
 Ira E. Hicks,² 1882.
 Isaac C. Hyatt,² 1883.
 William Berry,² 1884.
 Frank D. Sloat,² 1885.
 John T. Crary,² 1886.
 Henry E. Taintor,² 1887.
 Samuel B. Horne,² 1888.
 William H. Pierpont,² 1889.
 John C. Broatch,² 1890.
 Henry N. Fanton,² 1891.
 Benajah P. Smith,² 1892.
 Wilbur F. Rogers,² 1893.
 Selah G. Blakeman,² 1894.
 John M. Brewer,² 1895.
 Oscar W. Cornish,² 1896.
 Gustav D. Bates,² 1897.
 William Simonds,² 1898.
 Henry R. Jones,² 1899.
 John K. Bucklyn,² 1900.
 Thomas Boudren,² 1901.
 N. Burton Rogers,² 1902.
 Morgan G. Bulkeley,² 1903.
 William C. Hilliard,² 1904.
 Albert A. May,² 1905.
 Virgil F. McNeil,² 1906.
 Charles A. Appel,² 1907.
 Edward Griswold,² 1908.

George Haven,² 1909.
 Edson S. Bishop,⁵ 1910.
 Richard J. Cutbill,² 1911.
 William H. Dougal,² 1912.
 James R. Sloane,² 1913.
 Fred V. Streeter,² 1914.
 Charles Griswold,² 1915.
 Henry J. Seeley,² 1916.
 Benjamin H. Cheney,² 1917.
 Christian Quien,² 1918.
 George T. Meech,² 1919.
 Randolph Williamson,² 1920.
 Christian Swartz,² 1921.
 Orrin M. Price,² 1922.
 John L. Saxe,² 1923.
 Ira R. Wildman,² 1924.
 James W. Davis,² 1925.
 James R. Young,² 1926.
 Charles M. Shailer,² 1927.
 George A. Tucker,² 1928.
 James Haggerty,² 1929.
 Frank A. Cargill,² 1930.
 Henry W. Burrill,² 1931.
 Lewis L. Baker,² 1932.
 Edward T. Abbott,² 1933.
 Lyman H. Call,² 1934.
 Caspar D. Wallace,² 1935.
 Edward A. Pinkney,² 1936 (died in office).
 Russell Van Deusen,² 1936.
 Charles Douglas,⁴ New Haven, 1937.
 Truman N. Parsons,² 1938.
 Nathan Coe,² 1939-40.
 Truman N. Parsons,² 1941-42 (died in office).
 Charles Douglas,⁴ New Haven, 1943-45.

² Deceased.⁴ National council of administration.⁵ Not a member of the order.

DELAWARE (23)

(Organized January 14, 1881. Membership, December 31, 1944, 1)

Department commander----- ISAIAH FASSETT,⁴ Berlin, Md.

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

William S. McNair,² 1881.
 John Wainwright,² 1882.
 Daniel Ross,² 1883.
 C. M. Carey,² 1884.
 J. S. Litzenberg,² 1885.
 J. M. Dunn,² 1886.
 J. E. Mowbrey,² 1887.
 R. G. Buckingham,² 1888.
 Peter B. Ayars,² 1889.
 Samuel Lewis,² 1890.
 A. J. Woodman,² 1891.
 G. W. Stradley,² 1892.
 B. D. Bogia,² 1893.
 J. E. Vantine,² 1894.
 E. F. Wood,² 1895.
 William B. Norton,² 1896.
 J. S. Bradley,² 1897.
 Robert Liddell,² 1898.
 William H. Moystin,² 1899.
 William A. Reilly,² 1900.
 John W. Worall,² 1901.
 John C. Garner,² 1902.
 William G. Baugh, Sr.,² 1903.
 William Kelley, Jr.,² 1904.
 William Tharp,² 1905.
 Ira Lunt,² 1906.
 Jesse Hellings,² 1907.
 H. W. Perkins,² 1908.
 William H. Blake,² 1909.
 George C. Morton,² 1910.
 William Mendenhall,² 1911.
 Jesse K. Baylis,² 1912.
 J. R. Armstrong,² 1913.
 J. T. Rheims,² 1914.
 John P. Riley,² 1915.

S. Sherwood Johnson,² 1916.
 J. T. Alexander,² 1917.
 Orrin J. Cook,² 1918.
 R. Harry Williams,² 1919.
 C. A. W. Frishmuth,² 1920.
 William A. Truitt,² 1921.
 Charles Zerby,² 1922.
 Nathaniel L. Henderson,² 1923.
 Charles R. Lewis,² 1924.
 William H. Middleton,² 1925.
 R. G. Buckingham,² 1926.
 William Buckius,² 1927.
 Charles S. Waters,² 1928.
 James T. Twigg,² 1929.
 James Lynn,² 1930.
 Moses Weil,² 1931 (died in office).
 James Lynn,² 1931.
 James T. Twigg,² 1932.
 George H. Weldin,² 1933.
 W. Harry Patterson,² 1934.
 Lewis Morse,² 1935 (died in office).
 Thomas J. Hammonds,² 1935-36.
 Jacob C. Steele,² 1937-38.
 Augustus A. Owens,² 1939 (died in office).
 Henry Banzett,² 1939.
 George W. Baker, Sr.,² 1940 (died in office).
 Joseph T. Berry,² 1941 (died in office).
 Joseph Hynson,² 1941.
 Joseph W. Showalter,² 1942 (died in office).
 Joseph W. Hynson,² 1942 (died in office).
 Benjamin F. Scott,² 1943 (died in office).
 Isaiah Fassett,⁴ Berlin, Md., 1943-45.

² Deceased.⁴ National council of administration.

IDAHO (39)

(Organized January 11, 1888. Membership, December 31, 1944, 1. Post, 0)

Department commander----- ISRAEL A. BROADSWORD,⁴ Samuels.

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

W. H. Nye,² 1888.
 A. S. Senter,² 1889.
 W. T. Riley,² 1890.
 Judson Spofford,² 1891.
 A. O. Ingalls,² 1892.
 R. H. Barton,² 1893.
 T. J. Groome,² 1894.
 D. H. Budlong,² 1895.
 J. L. Fuller,² 1896.
 Lindol Smith,² 1897.
 N. F. Kimball,² 1898.
 S. L. Thompson,² 1899.
 Charles A. Clark,² 1900.
 William C. Maxey,² 1901.
 George M. Parsons,² 1902.
 E. S. Whittier,² 1903.
 C. F. Drake,² 1904.
 George A. Manning,² 1905.
 Alfred Anderson,² 1906.
 A. M. Rowe,² 1907.
 William K. Jameson,² 1908.
 Stewart Young,² 1909.
 Willard White,² 1910.
 M. W. Wood,² 1911.
 J. W. Shields,² 1912.
 A. G. Nettleton,² 1913.
 H. J. Newhouse,² 1914.
 William H. Cable,² 1915.

R. H. Barnes,² 1916.
 George F. Kimery,² 1917.
 F. T. Page,² 1918.
 Silas Wilson,² 1919 (see California and Nevada).
 John Carr,² 1920.
 William S. Hawkes,² 1921.
 William Bower,² 1922.
 F. J. Titus,³ Nampa, 1923.
 C. L. Longley,² 1924.
 George Gardner,² 1925.
 John S. Thorp,² 1926.
 R. P. Drury,² 1927.
 W. J. Neely,² 1928.
 Otto F. Steen,² 1929.
 S. H. McCullough,² 1930.
 W. H. Johns,² 1931.
 Jeremiah Williams,² 1932.
 T. W. Johnston,² 1933 (died in office).
 George N. Kingsbury,² 1934.
 E. A. Paddock,² 1934.
 Frank Williams,² 1935.
 George N. Kingsbury,² 1936.
 James P. Taylor,² 1937.
 Elisha White,² 1938 (died in office).
 Elder Smith,² 1938.
 Albert G. Jones,² 1939-43 (died in office).
 Israel Broadsword,⁴ 1943-45.

² Deceased.⁴ National council of administration.

ILLINOIS (1)

(Organized, April 6, 1866. Membership, December 31, 1944, 18. Posts, 11)

Department commander----- HIRAM H. SHUMATE,^{1 6} Riverton.
Senior vice department commander----- WILLIAM P. LOCKWOOD,³ Kankakee.
Junior vice department commander----- LEWIS FABLINGER, Downers Grove.
Assistant adjutant general----- JAMES HARVEY, Blue Island.

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

B. F. Stephenson, ² 1866.	A. C. Mathews, ² 1907.
John M. Palmer, ² 1867.	Joseph Rosenbaum, ² 1908.
Thomas S. Osborne, ² 1868-70.	Philip C. Hayes, ² 1909.
Charles E. Lippincott, ² 1871.	James A. Connolly, ² 1910.
Hubert Dilger, ² 1872.	C. C. Duffy, ² 1911.
Guy T. Gould, ² 1873.	Thomas H. Gault, ² 1912.
H. H. Hilliard, ² 1874-76.	J. H. Crowder, ² 1913.
Joseph S. Reynolds, ² 1877 (see California and Nevada).	Samuel Fallows, ² 1914.
T. B. Coulter, ² 1878.	John M. Snyder, ² 1915.
Edgar D. Swain, ² 1878-80.	W. F. Calhoun, ² 1916.
J. W. Burst, ² 1881.	C. S. Bentley, ² 1917.
Thomas G. Lawler, ² 1882.	Joseph W. Fifer, ² 1918.
Samuel A. Harper, ² 1883.	Henry D. Fulton, ² 1919.
L. T. Dickason, ² 1884.	Edwin N. Armstrong, ² 1920.
W. W. Berry, ² 1885.	William P. Wright, ² 1921.
Philip Sidney Post, ² 1886.	E. P. Bartlett, ² 1922 (died in office).
A. C. Sweetser, ² 1887.	J. M. Oulson, ² 1922.
James A. Sexton, ² 1888.	William J. Libberton, ² 1923.
James S. Martin, ² 1889.	Philip Smith, ² 1924.
William L. Distin, ² 1890.	O. R. Kenney, ² 1925.
Horace S. Clark, ² 1891.	John E. Andrew, ² 1926.
Edwin Harlan, ² 1892.	D. H. Harper, ² 1927.
Edwin A. Blodgett, ² 1893.	Charles T. Marsh, ² 1928.
H. H. McDowell, ² 1894.	H. B. Davidson, ² 1929.
William H. Powell, ² 1895.	A. C. Best, ² 1930.
W. G. Cochran, ² 1896.	James H. Campbell, ² 1931.
A. L. Schimpff, ² 1897.	H. C. First, ² 1932 (died in office).
John C. Black, ² 1898.	Wm. O'Callaghan, ² 1932.
John B. Inman, ² 1899.	George A. Robinson, ² 1933.
J. M. Longnecker, ² 1900.	William N. Hodge, ² 1934.
N. B. Thistlewood, ² 1901.	Thomas Ambrose, ⁵ Chicago, 1935.
H. M. Trimble, ² 1902.	William N. Hodge, ² 1936.
Benson Wood, ² 1903.	John E. Andrew, ² 1937-38.
Robert Mann Woods, ² 1904.	Thomas Ambrose, ⁵ Chicago, 1939.
John C. Smith, ² 1905.	Hiram Shumate, ^{1 6} Riverton, 1940-43.
Edwin H. Buck, ² 1906.	William P. Lockwood, ³ Kankakee, 1944.

Milton J. Stewart,² 1885, transferred from Kansas.
 Charles M. Travis,² 1889, transferred from Indiana.

¹ Present.² Deceased.³ National council of administration.⁵ Past senior vice commander in chief.⁶ Past junior vice commander in chief.

INDIANA (20)

(Organized August 20, 1866; reorganized October 3, 1879. Membership, December 31, 1944, 8. Posts, 5)

<i>Department commander</i> -----	JOHN F. SMITH, ⁴ Marion.
<i>Senior vice department commander</i> -----	W. E. WHITTINGHILL, Lebanon.
<i>Junior vice department commander</i> -----	FRANK J. BARTON, Knox.
<i>Assistant adjutant general</i> -----	JOHN C. ADAMS, ^{1 5} Jonesboro.

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

Robert S. Foster, ² 1866; 1868.	Orlando A. Somers, ² 1909.
Nathan Kimball, ² 1867.	Alexander P. Asbury, ² 1910.
Oliver M. Wilson, ² 1869.	Daniel Waugh, ² 1911.
Louis Humphrey, ² 1870-71.	Frank Swigart, ² 1912 (died in office).
Jonathan B. Hagar, ² 1879	Wilbur E. Gorsuch, ² 1912.
Samuel E. Armstrong, ² 1880.	Daniel W. Comstock, ² 1913.
William W. Dudley, ² 1881.	A. B. Crampton, ² 1914.
James R. Carnahan, ² 1882-83.	Lewis King, ² 1915.
Edwin Nicar, ² 1884.	V. V. Williams, ² 1916.
David N. Foster, ² 1885.	Samuel M. Hensch, ² 1917.
Thomas W. Bennett, ² 1886.	Alonzo Murphy, ² 1918.
Ira J. Chase, ² 1887.	William F. Medsker, ² 1919.
Argus D. Vanosdol, ² 1888.	Robert W. McBride, ² 1920.
Chas. M. Travis, ² 1889 (see Illinois).	Richard H. Tyner, ² 1921.
Gil R. Stormont, ² 1890.	William A. Kelsey, ² 1922.
Ivan N. Walker, ² 1891.	Albert J. Ball, ² 1923.
Joseph B. Cheadle, ² 1892.	F. M. VanPelt, ² 1924.
James T. Johnston, ² 1893.	David Strouse, ² 1925.
Albert O. Marsh, ² 1894.	James W. Spain, ² 1926.
Harvey B. Shively, ² 1895.	John H. Hoffman, ² 1927.
Henry M. Caylor, ² 1896.	W. F. Molyneaux, ² 1928.
James S. Dodge, ² 1897.	Charles E. Hale, ² 1929.
Daniel Ryan, ² 1898.	Isaac B. Austin, ² 1930 (died in office).
William L. Dunlap, ² 1899.	James Kilmartin, ² 1930.
David E. Beem, ² 1900.	F. M. McNair, ² 1931.
Milton Garrigus, ² 1901.	James Bowden, ² 1932.
Benjamin Starr, ² 1902.	Jasper N. Callicott, ² 1933.
George W. Grubbs, ² 1903.	John F. McKinley, ² 1934 (died in office).
Daniel R. Lucas, ² 1904.	Edward McClelland, ² 1935.
Marine D. Tackett, ² 1905.	Quincey A. Hunt, ² 1936.
Edmund R. Brown, ² 1906.	John H. Stone, ² 1937-41 (died in office).
William A. Ketcham, ² 1907.	David S. Moist, ² 1942.
John D. Alexander, ² 1908.	Isaac W. Sharp, ^{1 6} Warsaw, 1942-44.

PAST JUNIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER

Dr. Henry C. Rogers, Rockville

¹ Present.
² Deceased.
⁴ National council of administration.
⁵ Quartermaster general.
⁶ Commander in chief.

IOWA (19)

(Organized September 26, 1866; reorganized January 23, 1879. Membership, December 31, 1944, 13. Post, 0)

Department Commander----- JOHN M. GUDGEL,^{1*} Shenandoah.
Senior vice department commander----- JOHN P. MARTIN,^{1*} Sutherland.
Junior vice department commander----- ROBERT A. MILLEN, Melcher.
Assistant Adjutant General----- DAVID SISK, Marshalltown.

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

J. C. Parrott,² 1874-75.
 A. A. Perkins,² 1876-78.
 H. E. Griswold,² 1879.
 W. F. Conrad,² 1880.
 Peter V. Carey,² 1881.
 George B. Hugin,² 1882.
 John B. Cook,² 1883.
 E. G. Miller,² 1884.
 W. R. Manning,² 1885.
 W. A. McHenry,² 1886.
 J. M. Tuttle,² 1887.
 E. A. Consigny,² 1888.
 Charles H. Smith,² 1889.
 Mason P. Mills,² 1890.
 Charles L. Davidson,² 1891.
 J. J. Steadman,² 1892 (see California and Nevada).
 Phil. Schaller,² 1893.
 George A. Newman,² 1894.
 J. K. P. Thompson,² 1895.
 Josiah Given,² 1896.
 A. H. Evans,² 1897.
 R. W. Tirrell,² 1898.
 C. F. Bailey,² 1899.
 M. B. Davis,² 1900.
 George Metzger,² 1901.
 John Lindt,² 1902.
 L. B. Raymond,² 1903.
 R. T. St. John,² 1904.
 S. H. Harper,² 1905.
 C. A. Clark,² 1906.
 D. J. Palmer,² 1907.
 J. C. Milliman,² 1908.
 M. McDonald,² 1909.
 H. A. Dyer,² 1910.
 Lot Abraham,² 1911.

J. D. Brown,² 1912.
 J. W. Willett,² 1913.
 Byron C. Ward,² 1914.
 John F. Merry,² 1915.
 John H. Mills,² 1916.
 J. L. Farrington,² 1917.
 E. J. C. Bealer,² 1918.
 A. G. Beatty,² 1919.
 R. L. Chase,² 1920.
 J. B. Harsh,² 1921.
 L. J. Kron,² 1922.
 W. W. Gist,² 1923 (died in office).
 W. S. Freeman,² 1923.
 W. H. Needham,² 1924 (died in office).
 D. B. Cowles,² 1924 (died in office).
 Orlando S. Hartman,² 1924.
 Frank Dagle,² 1925.
 E. J. Stonebraker,² 1926.
 Oley Nelson,² 1927.
 J. W. Stratton,² 1928.
 John K. Ewing,² 1929 (died in office).
 Joseph Pratt,² 1930.
 Watson Ridsen,² 1930.
 John T. Lucas,² 1931.
 T. J. Noll,² 1932.
 Frank L. Quade,² 1933.
 L. J. Leech,² 1934.
 Horace B. Kelly,² 1935 (died in office).
 J. C. Hanes,² 1935.
 John P. Risley,² 1936-37 (died in office).
 Michael Hawk,² 1938.
 James W. Willett,² 1939 (died in office).
 Jacob J. Neuman,² 1940.
 Elliott P. Taylor,² 1941.
 John M. Gudgel,⁵ Shenandoah, 1942.
 David S. Sisk,^{1*} Marshalltown, 1943.
 John M. Gudgel,^{1*} Shenandoah, 1944.

¹ Present.

² Deceased.

³ Assistant adjutant general.

⁴ National council of administration.

⁵ Senior vice commander in chief.

KANSAS (22)

(Organized December 7, 1866; reorganized March 16, 1880. Membership, December 31, 1944, 5. Post, 1)

Department commander-----ALONZO McMURPHY,² Sterling.
Senior vice department commander-----CHARLES WINGROVE, Wichita.
Assistant adjutant general-----J. A. LOTT, McPherson.

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

John A. Martin, ² 1866-67.	J. N. Harrison, ² 1912-13.
John Carpenter, ² 1868.	Ira D. Brougher, ² 1914.
W. S. Jenkins, ² 1872 (see Missouri).	C. A. Meek, ² 1915.
Stephen A. Cobb, ² 1873.	R. M. Painter, ² 1916.
John Guthrie, ² 1876.	A. C. Pierce, ² 1917.
J. H. Gilpatrick, ² 1877-78.	W. W. Smith, ² 1918.
J. C. Walkinshaw, ² 1879-82.	Theodore Gardner, ² 1919.
Thomas J. Anderson, ² 1883.	Joseph A. Walter, ² 1920.
Homer W. Pond, ² 1884.	George P. Washburn, ² 1921 (died in office).
Milton J. Stewart, ² 1885 (see Illinois).	E. W. Bowman, ² 1921.
C. J. McDivett, ² 1886.	William W. Dennison, ² 1922.
T. H. Soward, ² 1887 (see Oklahoma).	William H. Mitchell, ² 1923.
J. W. Feighan, ² 1888.	Andrew Graff, ² 1924.
Henry Booth, ² 1889.	Fred Jackson, ² 1925.
Ira A. Collins, ² 1890.	Samuel Baughman, ² 1926 (see Florida).
Timothy McCarthy, ² 1891.	R. H. McWhorter, ² 1927.
A. R. Green, ² 1892.	H. I. Merrill, ² 1928.
Bernard Kelly, ² 1893.	J. W. Priddy, ² 1929.
W. P. Campbell, ² 1894.	C. K. King, ² 1930.
John P. Harris, ² 1895.	E. W. Phillips, ² 1931.
W. C. Whitney, ² 1896.	J. H. Harvey, ² 1932 (died in office).
Theo. Botkin, ² 1897.	Grear Nagel, ² 1932 (died in office).
D. W. Eastman, ² 1898 (see Oklahoma).	H. W. Wardell, ² 1932.
O. H. Coulter, ² 1899 (see California and Nevada).	W. B. Rhodes, ² 1933.
W. W. Martin, ² 1900.	W. W. Nixon, ² 1934.
J. B. Remington, ² 1901.	A. O. Gere, ² 1935.
H. C. Loomis, ² 1902.	J. H. Getty, ² 1936.
Abraham W. Smith, ² 1903.	Henry Keller, ² 1937.
Charles Harris, ² 1904.	Philip Weinrich, ² 1938.
P. H. Coney, ² 1905-06.	T. B. Williams, ² 1939.
R. A. Campbell, ² 1907.	J. W. Malloy, ² 1940.
W. A. Morgan, ² 1908.	George Schreiner, ² 1941.
Joel H. Rickel, ² 1909.	J. P. Fair, ² 1942.
Nathan E. Harmon, ² 1910.	William W. Nixon, ² 1943.
T. P. Anderson, ² 1911.	Alonzo McMurphy, ⁴ Sterling. 1944.

² Deceased.

⁴ National council of administration.

KENTUCKY (27)

(Organized January 16, 1883. Membership, December 31, 1944, 3. Post, 0)

Department commander----- ROBERT BARRETT,¹ Princeton.
Senior vice department commander----- ROBERT ALSIP, Corbin.
Junior vice department commander----- JOHN HENDRICKS, Hopkinsville.

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

J. C. Michie,² 1883.
W. H. Harton,² 1884.
George W. Northup,² 1885.
T. Z. Morrow, 1886.
William Bowman,² 1887.
Orrin A. Reynolds,² 1888.
Vincent Boreing,² 1889.
Michael Minton,² 1890.
Samuel G. Hills,² 1891.
Edward H. Hobson,² 1892.
T. Edward Livezey,² 1893.
Daniel O'Riley,² 1894.
Robert M. Kelly,² 1895.
Americus Whedon,² 1896.
Andrew J. Tharp,² 1897.
J. W. Hammond,² 1898.
Joseph H. Browning,² 1899.
L. M. Drye,² 1900.
John Blaes,² 1901.
T. F. Beyland,² 1902.
W. G. Force,² 1903.
William T. Bausmith,² 1904.
Bernard Matthews,² 1905.
George Grimstead,² 1906.
Le Vant Dodge,² 1907-08.

R. B. Hewetson,² 1909.
Sanford D. Van Pelt,² 1910.
Charles C. Degman,² 1911.
John Barr,² 1912.
W. J. L. Hughes,² 1913.
Edward Farley,² 1914.
John T. Gunn,² 1915.
Sam D. Brown,² 1916.
J. R. Howard,² 1917.
T. A. Casey,² 1918.
Andrew Offut,² 1919.
M. H. Davidson,² 1920.
Jacob Seibert,² 1921.
John T. English,² 1922.
E. F. Tucker,² 1923.
C. C. Furr,² 1924.
J. D. Compton,² 1925.
Albert Scott,² 1926 (died in office).
Cyrus Edwards,² 1926-28.
John T. Thompson,² 1929.
Robert T. Smith,² 1930-33.
Charles L. Dudley,² 1934-36.
R. R. Graham,² 1937-43 (died in office).
Robert Barrett, Sr., Princeton, 1943-44.

¹ Present.² Deceased.⁴ National council of administration.

MAINE (9)

(Organized January 10, 1868. Membership, December 31, 1944, 5. Posts, 5)

Department commander----- GEORGE F. STUART, Freeport.
Assistant adjutant general----- GEORGE H. JONES,⁴ Oxford.

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

George L. Beal,² 1868-69.
 Charles P. Mattocks,² 1870-71.
 Daniel White,² 1872-73.
 Selden Connor,² 1874-75.
 Nelson Howard,² 1876.
 John D. Myrick,² 1877.
 Augustus C. Hamlin,² 1878.
 Windsor B. Smith,² 1879.
 Isaac S. Bangs,² 1880.
 William G. Haskell,² 1881.
 Augustus B. Farnham,² 1882.
 Elisha M. Shaw,² 1883.
 Benjamin Williams,² 1884.
 James A. Hall,² 1885.
 Samuel W. Lane,² 1886.
 Richard K. Gatley,² 1887.
 Horace H. Burbank,² 1888.
 Franklin M. Drew,² 1889.
 John D. Anderson,² 1890.
 Samuel L. Miller,² 1891.
 Isaac Dyer,² 1892.
 Wainwright Cushing,² 1893.
 J. Wesley Gilman,² 1894.
 William H. Green,² 1895.
 Lorenzo J. Carver,² 1896.
 Leroy T. Carleton,² 1897.
 Charles A. Southard,² 1898.
 Frederick Robie,² 1899.
 Seth T. Snipe,² 1900.
 William Z. Clayton,² 1901.
 James L. Merrick,² 1902.
 Joshua L. Chamberlain,² 1903.
 Edwin C. Milliken,² 1904.
 Henry O. Perry,² 1905.
 Frederick S. Walls,² 1906.
 Frank F. Goss,² 1907.

Woodbury K. Dana,² 1908.
 Augustus W. McCausland,² 1909.
 John W. Webster,² 1910.
 Edwin Riley,² 1911.
 William H. Holston,² 1912.
 John F. Lamb,² 1913.
 Thomas S. Benson,² 1914.
 Simon S. Andrews,² 1915.
 Tobias L. Eastman,² 1916.
 John Quincy Adams,² 1917.
 Fred A. Motley,² 1918.
 George W. Goulding,² 1919.
 Henry E. Merriam,² 1920.
 Edward A. Butler,² 1921.
 George A. Gay,² 1922.
 Ezekiel H. Hanson,² 1923.
 Charles E. Nason,² 1924.
 Albert R. Hill,² 1925.
 Nathaniel W. White,² 1926.
 Nahum H. Pillsbury,² 1927.
 Nelson R. Brown,² 1928.
 Samuel F. Emerson,² 1929.
 F. S. Philbrick,² 1930.
 Simon C. Hastings,² 1931.
 John W. Fogler,² 1932.
 George T. Benson,² 1933.
 John B. Sawtelle,² 1934.
 Joseph W. Lake,² 1935.
 Charles F. Tibbetts,² 1936.
 Oliver N. Leavitt,² 1937.
 John W. Palmer,² 1938.
 Frank J. Savage,² 1939.
 George H. Jones,⁴ Oxford, 1940.
 John W. Palmer, 1941.
 Otis L. Coffin,² 1942.
 George F. Stuart,⁵ Freeport, 1943-44.

² Deceased.⁴ National council of administration.⁵ Department commander.

MASSACHUSETTS (7)

(Organized May 7, 1867. Membership, December 31, 1944, 2. Posts, 1)

Department commander----- CHARLES B. BURT,⁴ Springfield.

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

Austin S. Cushman,² 1866-67.A. B. R. Sprague,² 1868.Francis A. Osborn,² 1869.James L. Bates,² 1870.William Cogswell,² 1871.Henry R. Sibley,³ 1872.Adin B. Underwood,² 1873.John W. Kimball,² 1874.George S. Merrill,² 1875.Horace B. Sargent,² 1876-78.John G. B. Adams,² 1879.John A. Hawes,² 1880.George W. Creasey,² 1881.George H. Patch,² 1882.George S. Evans,² 1883.John D. Billings,² 1884.John W. Hersey,² 1885.Richard F. Tobin,² 1886.Charles D. Nash,² 1887.Myron P. Walker,² 1888.George L. Goodale,² 1889.George H. Innis,² 1890.Arthur A. Smith,² 1891.James K. Churchill,² 1892.Eli W. Hall,² 1893.Wilfred A. Wetherbee,² 1894.Joseph W. Thayer,² 1895.William P. Derby,² 1896.John M. Deane,² 1897.William H. Bartlett,² 1898.John E. Gilman,² 1899.Peter D. Smith,² 1900.Silas A. Barton,² 1901.W. W. Blackmar,² 1902.Dwight O. Judd,² 1903.Lucius Field,² 1904.James H. Wolff,² 1905.J. Payson Bradley,² 1906.Daniel H. L. Gleason,² 1907.Alfred S. Roe,² 1908.John L. Parker,² 1909.J. Willard Brown,² 1910 (died in office).Granville C. Fiske,² 1910-11.George A. Hosley,² 1912.Thomas J. Ames,² 1913.John M. Woods,² 1914.Alfred H. Knowles,² 1915.Francis E. Mole,² 1916.Daniel E. Denny,² 1917.Edwin P. Stanley,² 1918.George W. Wilder,² 1919.Horace Goodwin,² 1920.Edwin F. Morrill,² 1921.Henry Clark,² 1922.George W. Pratt,² 1923.Benjamin A. Ham,² 1924.William L. Gage,² 1925 (died in office).Henry H. Comey,² 1925.William F. Brown,² 1926 (died in office).Henry A. Monk,² 1927.Edwin J. Foster,² 1928.James H. Webb,² 1929.Alvin C. Howes,² 1930 (died in office).Waldo Turner,² 1930-31.Edwin H. Lincoln,² 1932.Frederick H. Bishop,² 1933.George A. Gay,² Nashua, N. H., 1934.George W. Green,² 1935.Chas. L. Robinson,² 1936.John E. Bronson,² 1937.Joseph F. Stoddard,² 1938.Charles E. Miles,² 1939.Dudley L. Page,² 1940.Samuel Snow,² 1941 (died in office).George N. Alden,² 1942.Charles F. Staples,² 1943-44 (died in office).Charles B. Burt,⁴ Springfield, 1944.² Deceased.³ Honors lost by withdrawal from the order.⁴ National council of administration.

MICHIGAN (18)

(Organized May 6, 1868 ; reorganized January 22, 1879. Membership, December 31, 1944, 12. Posts, 5)

Department commander----- ORLANDO LE VALLEY,^{1 4} Caro.
Senior vice department commander-----³ CYRUS PERRIGO, Vassar.
Junior vice department commander----- CHARLES RIKER, Cement City.
Assistant adjutant general----- RALPH R. TOWNER, Allegan.

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

R. A. Alger, ² (provisional), 1867.	Samuel J. Lawrence, ² 1910.
William A. Throop, ² 1868.	George W. Stone, ² 1911.
William Humphrey, ² 1869-70.	John T. Spillane, ² 1912.
C. V. R. Pond, ² 1878-79.	Frank R. Chase, ² 1913.
A. T. McReynolds, ² 1880.	Riley L. Jones, ² 1914.
Byron R. Pierce, ² 1881-82.	Henry C. Rankin, ² 1915 (died in office).
Oscar A. Janes, ² 1883.	Eli Strong, ² 1915.
Rush J. Shank, ² 1884.	L. H. Ives, ² 1916.
Charles D. Long, ² 1885.	William O. Lee, ² 1917.
John Northwood, ² 1886.	David S. Howard, ² 1918.
L. G. Rutherford, ² 1887.	Edwin F. Lamb, ² 1919.
Washington Gardner, ² 1888.	Henry Spaulding, ² 1920.
Michael Brown, 1889. ² (See Montana.)	J. J. Holmes, ² 1921.
Henry M. Duffield, ² 1890.	William Mears, ² 1922.
Charles L. Eaton, ² 1891.	Lyman A. L. Gilbert, ² 1923.
Henry S. Dean, ² 1892.	Marvin C. Barney, ² 1924.
James H. Kidd, ² 1893.	John Steel, ² 1925.
Louis Kanitz, ² 1894.	James R. Stephenson, ² 1926.
S. B. Daboll, ² 1895.	Charles A. Bartlett, ² 1927.
William Shakespeare, ² 1896.	A. C. Estabrook, ² 1928-30.
Aaron T. Bliss, ² 1897.	Orestus Blake, ² 1931-32.
Alex Patrick, ² 1898.	C. M. Cook, ² 1933 (died in office).
Russell R. Pealer, ² 1899.	John Killeen, ² 1933.
Ethel M. Allen, ² 1900.	Frank D. Keeler, ² 1934.
James Van Kleeck, ² 1901.	Ira M. Stewart, ² 1935-36.
Edward C. Anthony, ² 1902.	S. H. Carlton, ² 1937.
D. B. K. Van Raalte, ² 1903.	A. C. Estabrook, ² 1938.
George H. Hopkins, ² 1904.	A. F. Chappelle, ² 1939.
E. C. Cannon, ² 1905.	A. C. Estabrook, ² 1940 (died in office).
Joseph P. Griswold, ² 1906.	Martin J. Warner, ² 1940.
William Jibb, ² 1907.	John M. Park, ² 1941.
Charles E. Foote, ² 1908 (died in office).	Orlando Le Valley, ⁴ Caro, 1942.
George L. Holmes, ² 1908.	William H. Ferguson, ² 1943.
James M. Greenfield, ² 1909.	Ralph R. Towner, ⁵ Allegan, 1944.

PAST JUNIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER

Martin A. Loop, Adrian, 1942.

¹ Present.

² Deceased.

⁴ National council of administration.

⁵ Assistant adjutant general.

MINNESOTA (24)

(Organized August 14, 1867; reorganized August 17, 1881. Membership, December 31, 1944, 6. Posts, 2)

Department commander ----- ALBERT WOOLSON,⁴ Duluth.
Senior vice department commander----- ANSON B. BAKER, Minneapolis.
Junior vice department commander----- REUBEN S. HURD, Worthington.
Assistant adjutant general----- ANSON B. BAKER,³ Minneapolis.

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

Henry G. Hicks,² 1868.
 Henry A. Castle,² 1872-74.
 George H. Johnson,² 1876.
 Adam Marty,² 1881-82.
 John P. Rea,² 1883.
 E. B. Rabb,² 1884.
 R. A. Becker,² 1885.
 William Thomas,² 1886.
 L. L. Wheelock,² 1887.
 James H. Ege,² 1888.
 Alphonse Barto,⁴ 1889.
 James Compton,² 1890.
 Charles D. Parker,² 1891.
 L. M. Lange,² 1892.
 John Day Smith,² 1893.
 Samuel R. Van Sant,² 1894.
 Ell Torrance,² 1895.
 J. J. McCardy,² 1896.
 E. B. Wood,² 1897.
 E. W. Mortimer,² 1898.
 D. B. Searle,² 1899.
 Gideon S. Ives,² 1900.
 William H. Harries,² 1901.
 Perry Starkweather,² 1902.
 Isaac L. Mahan,² 1903.
 Harrison White,² 1904.
 C. F. MacDonald,² 1905.
 Levi Longfellow,² 1906.
 George A. Whitney,² 1907.
 Marcus W. Bates,² 1908.
 Loren W. Collins,² 1909.
 Philip G. Woodward,² 1910.
 J. A. Everett,² 1911.

William P. Roberts,² 1912.
 Charles H. Taylor,² 1913.
 Charles H. Hopkins,² 1914.
 Watson W. Hall,² 1915.
 Charles Van Campen,² 1916.
 Silas H. Towler,² 1917.
 Edwin F. Kenrick,² 1918.
 J. D. Budd,² 1919.
 J. A. Town,² 1920.
 S. W. Powell,² 1921.
 E. Z. Rasey,² 1922.
 W. H. Harrison,² 1923.
 S. E. Mahan,² 1924.
 W. T. Scram,² 1925.
 P. G. Gorman,² 1926.
 Jacob Zuber,² 1927.
 T. P. Garrett,² 1928.
 T. H. Peacock,² 1929.
 W. H. Palmer,² 1930.
 W. L. Hilliard,² 1931.
 C. M. Peet,² 1932.
 Omar H. Case,² 1933.
 Charles H. Cotton,² 1934.
 M. Mullen,² 1935.
 W. W. Holcomb,² 1936.
 Freman A. Caswell,² 1937 (died in office).
 L. E. Carpenter,² 1937-38.
 O. H. Perry,² 1939-40.
 O. S. Pierce,⁵ Minneapolis, 1941.
 Louis E. Quint,² 1942.
 Albert Woolson,⁴ Duluth, 1943-44.

S. F. Hammond,² 1888, transferred from South Dakota.
 J. B. Hoit,² 1892, transferred from South Dakota.

² Deceased.

³ Assistant adjutant general.

⁴ National council of administration.

⁵ Under suspension.

MISSOURI (25)

(Organized May 16, 1867; reorganized April 22, 1882. Membership, December 31, 1944,
5. Post, 1)

Department commander----- WILLIAM H. OSBORN,^{1 4} Joplin.

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

William Warner, ² 1882-83.	Arthur Dreifus, ² 1913.
W. F. Chamberlain, ² 1884.	William Lowe, ² 1914.
Nelson Cole, ² 1885-86.	James B. Dobyne, ² 1915.
E. E. Kimball, ² 1887.	Alex McCandless, ² 1916.
Hiram Smith, Jr., ² 1888.	Thomas W. Evans, ² 1917.
John E. Phelps, ² 1889 (see Washington and Alaska).	Phil F. Coghlan, ² 1918.
Leo Rassieur, ² 1890.	W. C. Calland, ² 1919.
George W. Martin, ² 1891.	Samuel D. Webster, ² 1920.
C. W. Whitehead, ² 1892.	A. J. P. Barnes, ² 1921.
Charles G. Burton, ² 1893.	James H. Hunter, ² 1922.
Louis Grund, ² 1894.	Samuel M. Mann, ² 1923.
Louis Benecke, ² 1895.	Alfred Zartman, ² 1924.
Thomas B. Rodgers, ² 1896.	Charles Koock, ² 1925.
John B. Platt, ² 1897.	John W. Lanley, ² 1926.
A. G. Peterson, ² 1898.	D. H. Baldridge, ² 1927.
John W. Scott, ² 1899.	John Ferguson, ² 1928.
Wilbur F. Henry, ² 1900.	Chas. H. Mitchell, ² 1929.
George Hall, ² 1901.	C. P. Woodruff, ² 1930.
Ira T. Bronson, ² 1902.	P. L. Swartz, ² 1931.
F. M. Sterrett, ² 1903 (see Ohio).	A. M. Reynolds, ² 1932.
Jere T. Dew, ² 1904.	R. B. Tyler, ² 1933.
Henry Fairback, ² 1905.	Smith George, ² 1934.
John M. Williams, ² 1906.	Perry Martin, ² 1935.
Thomas D. Kimball, ² 1907.	Jno. Hollingsworth, ² 1936.
J. V. Martin, ² 1908.	William Kowazek, Hawk Point, 1937.
W. H. Skinner, ² 1909.	A. J. P. Barnes, ² 1938.
Robert N. Denham, ² 1910.	Stephen Thomas, ² 1939.
Benjamin Warner, ² 1911.	R. B. Tyler, ² 1940 (died in office).
Charles W. Ruby, ² 1912.	Jno. Hollingsworth, ² 1941.
	William H. Osborn, Joplin, 1942-45.

¹ Present.

² Deceased.

⁴ National council of administration.

NEBRASKA (17)

(Organized June 11, 1877. Membership, December 31, 1944, 4. Posts, 3)

Department commander----- R. E. COLEMAN,⁴ Lincoln.
Senior vice department commander----- ALFRED HENDEE, Panama.
Junior vice department commander----- MICHAEL BONDOLL, Beatrice.
Assistant adjutant general----- ERASTUS PAGE, Omaha.

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

Paul Van Devoort, ² 1877.	A. M. Trimble, ² 1911.
R. H. Wilbur, ² 1878.	M. V. King, ² 1912.
James W. Savage, ² 1879-80.	John A. Dempster, ² 1913.
S. J. Alexander, ² 1881-82.	O. H. Durand, ² 1914.
John C. Bonnell, ² 1883.	George C. Humphrey, ² 1915.
Henry E. Palmer, ² 1884.	W. H. Stewart, ² 1916.
A. V. Cole, ² 1885 (see California and Nevada).	Wilson E. Majors, ² 1917.
John M. Thayer, ² 1886.	J. S. Hoagland, ² 1918.
H. C. Russell, ² 1887.	J. B. Strode, ² 1919.
W. C. Henry, ² 1888.	Joseph H. Presson, ² 1920.
J. B. Davis, ² 1889 (died in office).	W. J. Blystone, ² 1921.
S. H. Morrison, ² 1889.	John S. Davisson, ² 1922.
T. S. Clarkson, ² 1890.	O. C. Bell, ² 1923.
Joseph Teeter, ² 1891.	S. F. Sanders, ² 1924.
C. J. Dilworth, ² 1892.	E. F. Brown, ² 1925.
A. H. Church, ² 1893.	J. O. Moore, ² 1926.
Church Howe, ² 1894.	David Bryson, ² 1927.
Clarendon E. Adams, ² 1895 (see California and Nevada).	H. V. Hoagland, ² 1928.
J. H. Culver, ² 1896.	Thomas J. Smith, ² 1929.
John A. Ehrhardt, ² 1897.	F. A. Damewood, ² 1930.
Thomas J. Majors, ² 1898.	L. F. Ruppel, ² 1931 (died in office).
John E. Evans, ² 1899.	John H. Berger, ² 1931.
John Reese, ² 1900.	C. P. Lomax, ² 1932.
R. S. Wilcox, ² 1901.	I. D. Evans, ² 1933.
C. F. Steele, ² 1902.	George Johnson, ² 1934.
Lee Estelle, ² 1903.	C. H. Kinney, ² 1935.
Harmon Bross, ² 1904.	A. F. Rexroad, ² 1936.
John Lett, ² 1905.	John Seberg, ² 1937.
John R. Maxson, ² 1906.	R. E. Coleman, ⁴ Lincoln, 1938.
Thomas Creigh, ² 1907.	H. S. Woodworth, ² 1939.
Eli A. Barnes, ² 1908.	John S. Davisson, ² 1940 (died in office).
L. D. Richards, ² 1909.	Alfred Hendee, ⁵ Panama, 1941.
John F. Diener, ² 1910.	J. H. Allbee, ² 1942.
	R. E. Coleman, ⁴ Lincoln, 1943-44.

Griff J. Thomas,² 1879-1881, transferred from Wisconsin.² Deceased.⁴ National council of administration.⁵ Senior vice department commander.

NEW JERSEY (8)

(Organized December 10, 1867. Membership, December 31, 1944, 2. Post, 1)

Department commander----- WILLIAM H. PERRINE,⁴ Plainfield.
Assistant adjutant general----- ROBERT McCANDLES, Lyons.

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

E. Jardine, ² 1868.	Alfred Atkins, ² 1906.
William Ward, ² 1869-70.	Arthur W. Tench, ² 1907.
Richard H. Lee, ² 1871-72.	John Foran, ² 1908.
John R. Goble, ² 1873.	James F. Connelly, ² 1909.
Charles Burrows, ² 1874-75.	James Inglis, Jr., ² 1910.
E. W. Davis, ² 1876.	Adrian S. Appleget, ² 1911.
John Muller, ² 1877-78.	Terrance J. McDonald, ² 1912.
Samuel Hufty, ² 1879.	John W. Bodine, ² 1913.
George W. Gile, ² 1880.	Foreman J. Reynolds, ² 1914 (died in of- fice).
Charles H. Houghton, ² 1881.	Samuel G. Garretson, ² 1914.
E. L. Campbell, ² 1882.	William F. Washington, ² 1915.
George Fielder, ² 1883.	William O. Allen, ² 1916.
Henry M. Nevius, ² 1884-85.	Walter S. Tully, ² 1917.
Frank O. Cole, ² 1886.	George E. Boyd, ² 1918.
J. L. Wheeler, ² 1887.	A. J. Washburn, ² 1919 (died in office).
E. Burd Grubb, ² 1888.	Frank Briden, Sr., ² 1919.
W. E. B. Miller, ² 1889.	John T. McNeil, ² 1920.
A. M. Matthews, ² 1890.	Isaac Cole, ² 1921.
James R. Mullikin, ² 1891.	James A. Rikeman, ² 1922.
R. A. Donnelly, ² 1892.	P. J. Lydecker, ² 1923-24.
H. L. Hartshorn, ² 1893.	Leonard L. Roray, ² 1925.
John Shields, ² 1894.	Joseph A. Goodrich, ² 1926.
Henry S. White, ² 1895.	Augustus Van Giesen, ² 1927.
Ernest C. Stahl, ² 1896.	Charles Hopper, ² 1928.
Emanuel Sands, ² 1897 (died in office).	Spencer Smith, ² 1929.
Samuel G. Hayter, ² 1897.	John H. Conger, ² 1930.
William C. Smith, ² 1898.	Wm. A. Buckbee, ² 1931.
George Barrett, ² 1899.	Wm. H. Bilbee, ² 1932-34.
E. V. Richards, ² 1900.	Wm. H. McCoy, ² 1935-41 (died in of- fice).
J. Lawrence, ² 1901.	Peter Van Kirk, ² 1941-42 (died in office).
Enos F. Hann, ² 1902.	William H. Perrine, ⁴ Plainfield, 1943-44.
Stephen M. Long, ² 1903.	
James M. Atwood, ² 1904.	
Charles Currie, ² 1905.	

² Deceased.⁴ National council of administration.

NEW YORK (5)

(Organized April 3, 1867. Membership, December 31, 1944, 6. Posts, 5)

Department commander----- JOHN W. HAYES,² Brookview.
 Senior vice department commander----- FRANK E. COOLEY,^{2 4} Rensselaer.
 Junior vice department commander----- JAMES A. HARD, Rochester.
 Assistant adjutant general----- ROBERT M. ROWND,^{1 3} Ripley.

DELEGATE

Joseph Chisam, Rome.

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

James B. McKean, ² 1866-67.	M. J. Cummings, ² 1909.
Daniel E. Sickles, ² 1868-69.	DeWitt C. Hurd, ² 1910.
Edwin B. Lansing, ² 1869.	George B. Loud, ² 1911.
John C. Robinson, ² 1870.	Oscar Smith, ² 1912.
Henry A. Barnum, ² 1871-72.	Samuel C. Pierce, ² 1913.
Stephen P. Corliss, ² 1873.	James D. Bell, ² 1914.
Edward Jardine, ² 1874.	Zan L. Tidball, ² 1915.
John Palmer, ² 1875.	Solomon W. Russell, ² 1916.
James Tanner, ² 1876-77.	William F. Kirchner, ² 1917.
William F. Rogers, ² 1878.	Lewis S. Pilcher, ² 1918.
James McQuade, ² 1879.	Joseph E. Ewell, ² 1919.
L. Coe Young, ² 1880.	Alfred E. Stacey, ² 1920.
Abram Merritt, ² 1881.	Isadore Isaacs, ² 1921.
James S. Fraser, ² 1882.	Calvin A. Brainard, ² 1922.
John A. Reynolds, ² 1883.	Thomas J. McConekey, ² 1923.
Ira M. Hedges, ² 1884.	Henry L. Keene, ² 1924.
H. Clay Hall, ² 1885.	Duncan J. McMillan, ² 1925.
Joseph I. Sayles, ² 1886.	John Van Duyn, ² 1926.
George H. Treadwell, ² 1887.	George W. Flynn, ² 1927 (died in office).
N. Martin Curtis, ² 1888.	William M. Chatham, ² 1928 (died in office).
Harrison Clark, ² 1889.	Henry Lilly, ² 1928.
Floyd Clarkson, ² 1890.	William P. Griffith, ² 1928.
Charles H. Freeman, ² 1891.	Martin V. Stone, ² 1929.
Theodore L. Poole, ² 1892.	George H. Taylor, ² 1930.
Joseph P. Cleary, ² 1893.	Calvin L. Vincent, ² 1931.
John C. Shotts, ² 1894.	Henry J. Kearney, ² 1932 (died in office).
Edward J. Atkinson, ² 1895.	Frank E. Cooley, ⁴ Rensselaer, 1933.
James S. Graham, ² 1896.	John Maxwell, ² 1933.
Albert D. Shaw, ² 1897.	Josiah C. Read, ² 1934.
Anson S. Wood, ² 1898.	Robert M. Rownd, ³ Ripley, 1935.
Joseph W. Kay, ² 1899.	George C. Eldredge, ² 1936.
N. P. Pond, ² 1900.	Joseph Bauer, ² 1937.
Charles A. Orr, ² 1901.	Thomas H. Stritch, ² 1938-39.
Allan C. Bakewell, ² 1902.	Henry Lilly, ² 1940.
John S. Foster, ² 1903.	Edwin Morris, ² 1941.
Henry N. Burhans, ² 1904.	James A. Hard, ⁶ Rochester, 1942.
James N. Snyder, ² 1905.	John W. Hays, ⁵ Brookview, 1943.
John S. Maxwell, ² 1906.	Frank E. Cooley, ⁴ Rensselaer, 1944.
Harlan J. Swift, ² 1907.	
William H. Daniels, ² 1908.	

De Alva S. Alexander,² 1884, transferred from Potomac.W. L. Palmer,² 1899, transferred from South Dakota.A. E. Sholes,² 1891, transferred from Georgia and South Carolina.David R. Wilson,² 1906, transferred from Virginia and North Carolina.John C. Gipson,² 1902, transferred from Oklahoma (see California and Nevada).

PAST JUNIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER

Jacob Lester, Binghamton, 1931.

¹ Present.² Deceased.³ Chaplain in chief.⁴ National council of administration.⁵ Department commander.⁶ Junior vice department commander.

OHIO (4)

(Organized January 30, 1867. Membership, December 31, 1944, 12. Posts, 7)

Department commander----- JOHN GRATE,¹ Atwater.
Senior vice department commander----- HIRAM CONRAD, Alliance.
Assistant adjutant general----- JOHN R. BENNETT, Waynesfield.

DELEGATE	ALTERNATE
John Conrad, Alliance.	J. K. P. Barker, Columbus.

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

B. F. Potts, ² 1866.	John H. Sharer, ² 1908 (died in office).
Thomas L. Young, ² 1867.	George Hall, ² 1908.
J. Warren Keifer, ² 1868-70.	Charles H. Newton, ² 1909.
William C. Burnts, ² 1871-72.	Henry A. Axline, ² 1910.
G. M. Barber, ² 1873-74.	J. F. Johnston, ² 1911.
Alvin C. Voris, ² 1875.	Charles W. Blodgett, ² 1912.
William Earnshaw, ² 1876-77.	W. R. Warnock, ² 1913.
Nathan L. Guthrie, ² 1878 (died in office).	J. Kent Hamilton, ² 1914.
James H. Seymour, ² 1878.	Seeley P. Mount, ² 1915.
James H. Steadman, ² 1879.	W. H. Surles, ² 1916.
David W. Thomas, ² 1880.	W. A. Pittenger, ² 1917.
John S. Kountz, ² 1881.	D. M. Hall, ² 1918.
Charles T. Clark, ² 1882-83.	H. C. Martindale, ² 1919.
H. P. Lloyd, ² 1884.	John M. Adams, ² 1920.
R. B. Brown, ² 1885.	M. J. Sloan, ² 1921.
Arthur L. Conger, ² 1886.	Gaylord M. Saltzgaber, ² 1922.
D. C. Putnam, ² 1887.	Daniel S. Wilder, ² 1923.
Joseph W. O'Neill, ² 1888.	Edmund Burdsall, ² 1924.
S. H. Hurst, ² 1889.	John Ambler, ² 1925.
P. H. Dowling, ² 1890.	Levi H. Derby, ² 1926.
A. M. Warner, ² 1891.	Jacob Secrest, ² 1927.
Isaac F. Mack, ² 1892.	John McClay, ² 1928.
L. H. Williams, ² 1893.	Salonas A. Williams, ² 1929.
E. E. Nutt, ² 1894.	W. A. Talbott, ² 1930.
Charles Townsend, ² 1895.	Ayres B. Adams, ² 1931.
E. L. Lybarger, ² 1896.	S. F. Bell, ² 1932.
Henry Kissinger, ² 1897.	O. A. Marvin, ² 1933.
David F. Pugh, ² 1898.	Charles J. McDargh, ² 1934.
Thomas R. Shinn, ² 1899.	Henry F. Russell, ² 1935.
Elias R. Monfort, ² 1900.	Francis S. Layton, ² 1936.
Emmet F. Taggart, ² 1901.	Theodore Wells, ² 1937.
Walton Weber, ² 1902.	Frederick Pfister, Cincinnati, 1938.
Arthur C. Yengling, ² 1903.	Frank S. Morris, ² 1939.
B. M. Moulton, ² 1904.	Thomas Ridenour, ³ Crestline, 1940.
Amos Huffman, ² 1905.	David M. Robbins, ² 1941.
George A. Harmon, ² 1906.	Byron W. Joslin, ² 1942.
W. S. Rogers, ² 1907.	John R. Bennett, Waynesfield, 1943.
	Lewis Heiston, ⁴ Pleasantville, 1944.

¹ Present.² Deceased.³ Assistant adjutant general.⁴ National council of administration.

OKLAHOMA (44)

(Organized August 7, 1890. Membership, December 31, 1944, 10. Post, 0. Department of Indian Territory merged with Oklahoma at joint encampment held at Guthrie, May 19-22, 1908)

Department commander----- SYLVESTER S. PATTERSON,⁴ Tonkawa.
Senior vice department commander----- MOSES RATLEDGE, Enid.

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

C. M. Barnes, ² 1890.	George W. Billings, ² 1914 (died in office).
G. M. Coulton, ² 1891.	George W. Fletcher, ² 1914.
D. F. Wyatt, ² 1892.	A. A. Beasler, ² 1915.
T. H. Soward, ² 1893.	Albert Reeves, ² 1916.
J. P. Cummings, ² 1894 (see California and Nevada).	J. C. White, ² 1917.
H. G. Trosper, ² 1895.	F. E. Hills, ² 1918.
W. H. Cater, ² 1896.	F. M. Cline, ² 1919.
C. R. Young, ² 1897.	W. S. Tilton, ² 1920 (see California and Nevada).
G. D. Munger, ² 1898.	Jacob Amberg, ² 1921.
J. J. S. Hassler, ² 1899.	W. F. Clark, ² 1922.
I. W. Rush, ² 1899.	J. J. Lyons, ² 1923.
M. L. Mock, ² 1900.	J. W. Garner, ² 1924.
James E. Burns, ² 1901 (see California and Nevada).	J. H. Norton, ² 1925 (died in office).
Wesley Taylor, ² 1902.	J. H. Luman, ² 1925.
Cyrus P. Green, ² 1903.	R. D. McGinley, ² 1926.
S. P. Strahan, ² 1904.	W. T. Deupree, ² 1927.
G. M. Parks, ² 1905.	R. L. Johnson, ² 1928.
Peter A. Becker, ² 1906.	A. W. Lee, ² 1929.
W. H. Hornaday, ² 1907 (see California and Nevada).	J. W. Bridges, ² 1930.
H. Veatch, ² 1908.	A. C. Sims, ² 1931.
William Higgins, ² 1909.	L. C. Coffin, ² 1932.
B. N. Turk, ² 1910.	A. C. Sims, ² 1933.
Wilberforce Jones, ² 1911.	J. W. Garner, ² 1934.
W. R. Kelley, ² 1912.	N. D. McGinley, ² 1935-37 (died in office).
L. C. Coffin, ² Elgin, 1913.	Aaron Fagin, ² 1937 (died in office).
	S. Patterson, ⁴ Tonkawa, 1938-45.

FROM DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN TERRITORY BY MERGER, MAY 19-22, 1908

E. Calkins, ² 1891.	Gideon S. White, ² 1899.
B. F. Harris, ² 1892.	John S. Hammer, ² 1900-02.
J. H. Spann, ² 1893.	J. A. Rose, ² 1903.
Savelon Boyles, ² 1894.	Robert Ross, ² 1904..
J. L. Thomas, ² 1895.	Samuel H. Smith, ² 1905.
William H. Harrison, ² 1896.	J. F. Ayers, ² 1906.
R. M. J. Shriver, ² 1897.	A. G. Krutchmer, ² 1907.
David Redfield, ² 1898.	
D. W. Eastman, ² 1898, transferred from Kansas.	
John C. Gipson, ² 1902, transferred from North Dakota (see California and Nevada).	

² Deceased.

⁴ National council of administration.

OREGON (26)

(Organized September 28, 1882. Membership, December 31, 1944, 1. Post, 1)

Department commander----- T. A. PENLAND,^{1 5} Portland

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

N. S. Pierce,² 1882.
 G. E. Caulkin,² 1883.
 F. J. Babcock,² 1884.
 F. H. Lamb,² 1885-86.
 M. L. Olmstead,² 1887.
 A. E. Borthwick,² 1888.
 E. B. McElroy,² 1889.
 James A. Varney,² 1890.
 Owen Summers,² 1891.
 H. H. Northrup,² 1892.
 J. C. Cooper,² 1893.
 S. B. Ormsby,² 1894.
 E. W. Allen,² 1895.
 D. C. Sherman,² 1896.
 Frank Reisner,² 1897.
 C. P. Holloway,² 1898.
 H. V. Gates,² 1899.
 A. J. Goodbrod,² 1900.
 J. A. Sladen,² 1901.
 M. L. Pratt,² 1902.
 David H. Turner,² 1903.
 B. F. Pike,² 1904.
 T. E. Hills,² 1905.
 Hamer Sutcliffe,² 1906.
 S. F. Blythe,² 1907.
 J. T. Apperson,² 1908.
 James P. Shaw,² 1909.
 W. J. R. Beach,² 1910.
 Newton Clark,² 1911.
 Thomas B. McDevitt,² 1912.

S. W. Taylor,² 1913.
 H. S. Fargo,² 1914.
 George A. Harding,² 1915.
 Joseph E. Hall,² 1916.
 J. G. Chambers,² 1917.
 Tillman H. Stevens,² 1918.
 Daniel Webster,² 1919.
 J. T. Butler,² 1920.
 C. A. Williams,² 1921.
 D. L. McKay,² 1922.
 George R. Castner,² 1923.
 Henry E. Dosch,² 1924 (died in office).
 J. L. Crow,² 1924.
 J. F. Nelson,² 1925.
 William Clemens,² 1926.
 H. S. Lillagar,² 1927.
 William Clemens,² 1928.
 L. C. Washburn,² 1929 (died in office).
 Charles True,² 1929 (died in office).
 Gideon Stolz,² 1929.
 Wm. M. Colvig,² 1930.
 Charles M. Eichler,² 1931.
 J. W. Jones,² 1932.
 H. V. Gates,² 1933-34 (died in office).
 J. W. Ridge,² 1935.
 John C. Thomson,² 1936 (died in office).
 Z. T. Bryant,² 1937 (died in office).
 Henry Hopkins,² 1937.
 T. A. Penland,^{1 5} Portland, 1937-45.

¹ Present.² Deceased.⁵ National patriotic instructor.

PENNSYLVANIA (3)

(Organized January 16, 1867. Membership, December 31, 1944, 3. Posts, 2)

Department commander----- ALFRED W. GABRIO,⁴ Hazleton.
 Senior vice department commander----- JOSEPH P. CALDWELL, Pittsburgh.

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

Louis Wagner,² 1866-67.
 A. L. Pearson,² 1868.
 O. C. Bosbyshell,² 1869.
 Howard J. Reeder,² 1870-71.
 Frank Reeder,² 1872.
 Robert B. Beath,² 1873.
 A. Wilson Norris,² 1874.
 W. W. Tyson,² 1875.
 James W. Latta,² 1876.
 Samuel I. Givin,² 1877.
 Charles T. Hull,² 1878.
 George L. Brown,² 1879.
 Chill W. Hazard,² 1880.
 John Taylor,² 1881.
 John M. Vanderslice,² 1882.
 E. S. Osborne,² 1883.
 Frederick H. Dyer,² 1884.
 F. Austin Curtin,² 1885.
 J. P. S. Gobin,² 1886.
 Samuel Harper,² 1887.
 Frank J. Magee,² 1888.
 Thomas J. Stewart,² 1889.
 Joseph F. Denniston,² 1890.
 George G. Boyer,² 1891.
 John P. Taylor,² 1892.
 Thomas G. Sample,² 1893.
 William Emsley,² 1894.
 H. H. Cumings,² 1895.
 Alfred Darte,² 1896.
 William D. Stauffer,² 1897.
 William J. Patterson,² 1898.
 James F. Morrison,² 1899.
 Charles Miller,² 1900.
 Levi G. McCauley,² 1901.
 R. P. Scott,² 1902.
 Edwin Walton,² 1903.
 John McNevin,² 1904.

J. Andrew Wilt,² 1905.
 M. A. Gherst,² 1906.
 William T. Powell,² 1907.
 P. De Lacy,² 1908.
 Thad M. Mahon,² 1909.
 L. W. Moore,² 1910.
 N. P. Kingsley,² 1911.
 Thomas H. Cole,² 1912.
 William J. Wells,² 1913.
 John A. Fairman,² 1914.
 C. C. Gramlich,² 1915.
 L. F. Arensberg,² 1916.
 Noah Dietrich,² 1917.
 J. D. Hicks,² 1918.
 George W. Rhoads,² 1919.
 C. H. Wm. Ruhe,² 1920.
 Charles C. Taylor,² 1921.
 W. F. Hambright,² 1922.
 J. J. Shoemaker,² 1923.
 H. H. Spayd,² 1924.
 A. M. Breckenridge,² 1925.
 Samuel P. Town,² 1926.
 John B. Patrick,² 1927.
 George I. Rudolph,² 1928.
 Phil Engelskirger,² 1929.
 Chas. W. Meconnahey,² 1930.
 John R. Steele,² 1931.
 Jacob Barron,² 1932.
 A. T. Anderson,² 1933.
 George W. Gillett,² 1934-35.
 Wm. W. Reynolds,² 1936 (died in office).
 John Little,² 1936 (died in office).
 A. T. Anderson,² 1937.
 C. H. Wm. Ruhe,² 1938-39.
 A. W. Gabrio,⁴ Hazleton, 1940-41.
 Joseph L. Chapman,² 1942.
 A. W. Gabrio,⁴ 1943-45.

James E. Porter,² 1895, transferred from Virginia and North Carolina.
 James M. Davis,² 1898, transferred from Virginia and North Carolina.

² Deceased.⁴ National council of administration.

UTAH (33)

(Organized October 8, 1883. Membership, December 31, 1944, 1. Post, 1)

Department commander----- IRA STORMES,^{1 2 4} Salt Lake City.

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

George C. Douglas,² 1883.
Ransford Smith,² 1884.
H. C. Wardleigh,² 1885.
Elijah Sells,² 1886.
Eli H. Murray,² 1887.
Nathan H. Kimball,² 1888.
Henry T. Snyder,² 1889.
Henry Page,² 1890.
Frank Hoffman,² 1891.
James R. Elliott,² 1892.
J. W. Greenman,² 1893.
T. C. Iliff,² 1894.
C. O. Farnsworth,² 1895.
M. M. Kellogg,² 1896.
T. C. Bailey,² 1897.
N. H. Ives,² 1898.
M. M. Kaighn,² 1899.
M. A. Breeden,² 1900 (see California
and Nevada).
Rudolph Alf,² 1901.
W. M. Bostaph,² 1902 (see California
and Nevada).
F. W. Clark,² 1903.
Henry P. Burns,² 1904.

E. T. Hulaniski,² 1905.
B. M. Sperry,² 1906.
Alfred Kent,² 1907.
R. G. Sleater,² 1908.
Lucian H. Smith,² 1909.
T. C. Lundy,² 1910.
A. B. Lawrence,² 1911.
J. W. Brown,² 1912 (died in office).
Frank H. Hall,² 1912.
Reuben Oehler,² 1913.
N. A. Heath,² 1914.
H. G. Rollins,² 1915.
N. D. Corser,² 1916-17.
J. C. A. Warfield,² 1918.
C. W. A. Schnell,² 1919.
Ezra D. Haskins,² 1920-21.
A. Van Patten,² 1922.
W. L. Goodsell,² 1923-25.
L. L. Hudson,² 1926-27.
W. R. Smethers,² 1928.
Elias Price,² 1929-34.
Ira Stormes,^{1 2 4} Salt Lake City, 1935-45
(died in office).

¹ Present.
² Deceased.
⁴ National council of administration.

WASHINGTON AND ALASKA (30)

(Organized June 20, 1883. Membership, December 31, 1944, 8. Posts, 4)

Department commander----- HIRAM R. GALE,^{1 3} Seattle.
Senior vice department commander----- FRANCIS YEAGER,⁴ Centralia
Junior vice department commander----- JACOB CHEADLE, Olympia.

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

F. W. Sparling, ² provisional, 1878-82.	R. R. Harding, ² 1912.
George D. Hill, ² 1883.	J. E. Stewart, ² 1913.
H. A. Morrow, ² 1884.	H. R. Gale, ³ Seattle, 1914.
A. M. Brooks, ² 1885.	H. W. North, ² 1915.
C. M. Holton, ² 1886.	J. E. Gandy, ² 1916.
A. P. Curry, ² 1887.	John J. See, ² 1917 (see California and Nevada).
J. W. Sprague, ² 1888.	S. F. Street, ² 1918.
C. S. Cosgrove, ² 1889.	A. A. Stevens, ² 1919.
M. M. Holmes, ² 1890.	O. D. McDonald, ² 1920 (see California and Nevada).
D. G. Lovell, ² 1891.	J. H. Coffman, ² 1921.
J. Sox Brown, ² 1892.	Enoch Sears, ² 1922.
J. F. Sinclair, ² 1893.	W. P. Cragin, ² 1923 (died in office).
J. N. Scott, ² 1894.	John A. Harris, ² 1923.
Norman Buck, ² 1895.	A. P. Lawrence, ² 1924.
C. T. Patterson, ² 1896.	William J. Baker, ² 1925.
J. F. McLean, ² 1897.	J. H. Shaw, ² 1926.
George W. Tibbetts, ² 1898.	Byron Phelps, ² 1927.
J. W. Langley, ² 1899.	Henry P. Burdick, ² 1928.
B. R. Freeman, ² 1900.	Willis Richardson, ² 1929.
H. A. Bigelow, ² 1901.	W. W. Work, ² 1930.
B. C. Bedell, ² 1902.	R. W. Black, ² 1931.
T. H. Cavanaugh, ² 1903.	T. F. Coley, ² 1932.
F. M. Davis, ² 1904 (see California and Nevada).	Rustan O. Reed, ² 1933-34.
J. T. Goss, ² 1905.	D. L. Crossen, ² 1935.
C. B. Dunning, ² 1906.	George L. Foster, ² 1936.
W. H. Mock, ² 1907.	L. A. Wilcox, ⁵ Cadott, Wis., 1937.
George H. Boardman, ² 1908.	Rustan O. Reed, ² 1938-41 (died in office).
Lyman Banks, ² 1909.	S. B. Tift, ² Everett, 1942.
W. H. Wiscombe, ² 1910 (see California and Nevada).	Hiram G. Gale, ^{1 3} Seattle, 1943-45.
F. H. Hurd, ² 1911.	

John E. Phelps,² 1889, transferred from Missouri.E. A. Shores,² 1893, transferred from Wisconsin.¹ Present.² Deceased.³ Junior vice commander in chief.⁴ National council of administration.⁵ Transferred to Wisconsin.

WISCONSIN (2)

(Organized June 7, 1866. Membership, December 31, 1944, 7. Posts, 3)

Department commander----- LANSING A. WILCOX, Cadott.
Senior vice department commander----- ANSEL GOOLSBY, Chetek.
Junior vice department commander----- JOHN HOCKENBROCK, Chippewa Falls.
Assistant adjutant general----- HENRY ALEXANDER,⁴ King.

DELEGATE

David Monroe

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

James K. Proudfit, ² 1866.	John C. Martin, ² 1907.
H. A. Starr, ² 1867.	E. D. Coe, ² 1908 (died in office).
J. M. Rusk, ² 1868.	R. B. Lang, ² 1909.
T. S. Allen, ² 1869-70.	William H. Grinnell, ² 1909.
Edward Ferguson, ² 1871-72.	Frank A. Walsh, ² 1910.
A. J. McCoy, ² 1873.	Hiram J. Smith, ² 1911.
G. A. Hanaford, ² 1874-75.	George W. Spratt, ² 1912.
John Hancock, ² 1876.	Charles H. Henry, ² 1913.
H. G. Rogers, ² 1877.	Samuel A. Cook, ² 1914.
F. S. Hammond, ² 1878.	W. J. McKay, ² 1915.
Griff J. Thomas, ² 1879-81 (see Nebraska).	O. L. Rosenkrans, ² 1916.
H. M. Enos, ² 1882.	W. A. Wyse, ² 1917.
Philip Cheek, ² 1883-84.	George D. Breed, ² 1918.
James Davidson, ² 1885.	Robert R. Campbell, ² 1919.
Lucius Fairchild, ² 1886.	Walter O. Pietsch, ² 1920.
H. P. Fisher, ² 1886.	M. L. Snyder, ² 1921.
Michael Griffin, ² 1887.	James F. Carle, ² 1922.
A. G. Weissert, ² 1888.	Alfred S. Eaton, ² 1923.
L. Ferguson, ² 1889.	George W. Morton, ² 1924.
Benjamin F. Bryant, ² 1890.	Henry Hase, ² 1925.
W. H. Upham, ² 1891.	Henry Stannard, ² 1926.
C. B. Welton, ² 1892.	Henry C. Eaton, ² 1927.
E. A. Shores, ² 1893 (see Washington and Alaska).	G. H. Pounder, ² 1928.
J. A. Watrous, ² 1894.	Lloyd D. Sampson, ² 1929.
W. D. Hoard, ² 1895.	John H. Hellweg, ² 1930.
D. Lloyd Jones, ² 1896.	W. H. Chesbrough, ² 1931.
E. B. Gray, ² 1897.	George L. Thomas, ² 1932.
C. H. Russell, ² 1898.	Henry Held, ² 1933.
Henry Harnden, ² 1899.	Thaddeus Sheerin, ² 1934.
S. H. Talmadge, ² 1899.	Charles M. Hambright, ² 1935.
David J. James, ² 1900.	Chas. F. Moulton, ² 1936.
A. H. DeGroff, ² 1901 (see California and Nevada).	W. P. Bryant, ² 1937.
J. H. Agen, ² 1902.	John Hart, ² 1938.
J. P. Rungle, ² 1903.	A. R. Kibbe, ² 1939.
Pliny Norcross, ² 1904.	B. Regli, ² 1940.
F. A. Copeland, ² 1905.	James F. Jones, ² 1941.
John W. Ganes, ² 1906.	John W. Miller, ² 1942.
	C. L. Hooker, Virginia, Minn., 1943.
	L. A. Wilcox, Cadott, 1944-45.

Lansing A. Wilcox, Cadott, transferred from Washington and Alaska.

² Deceased.⁴ National council of administration.

COMMITTEES

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF NATIONAL COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION

Isaac W. Sharp, commander in chief, Warsaw, Ind.
 John M. Gudgel, senior vice commander in chief, Shenandoah, Ill.
 Russell C. Martin, adjutant general, Los Angeles, Calif.
 John C. Adams, quartermaster general, Jonesboro, Ind.
 George H. Jones, Oxford, Maine.
 R. E. Coleman, Lincoln, Nebr.
 Orlando H. LeValley, Caro, Mich.

TRUSTEES OF PERMANENT FUND

Robert M. Rownd, Ripley, N. Y.
 John S. Dumser, Oakland, Calif.
 George H. Jones, Oxford, Maine.

COMMITTEE OF CREDENTIALS

Russell C. Martin, adjutant general, chairman.
 David Sisk, assistant adjutant general, Department of Iowa.
 Ralph R. Towner, assistant adjutant general, Department of Michigan.
 John R. Bennett, assistant adjutant general, Department of Ohio.
 Henry Alexander, assistant adjutant general, Department of Wisconsin.

COMMITTEE TO AUDIT BOOKS OF QUARTERMASTER-GENERAL

John S. Dumser, Oakland, Calif.
 Frank J. Barton, Knox, Ind.
 Orlando H. LeValley, Caro, Mich.

COMMITTEES TO PREPARE RESOLUTIONS

ON DEATH OF QUARTERMASTER GENERAL WILLIAM H. FERGUSON

John C. Adams, Jonesboro, Ind.
 William P. Lockwood, Kankakee, Ill.
 H. M. Mingay, Glendale, Calif.

ON DEATH OF CHAPLAIN IN CHIEF MARTIN J. WARNER

Robert M. Rownd, Ripley, N. Y.
 Cyrus Perrigo, Vassar, Mich.
 Albert M. Woolson, Duluth, Minn.

ON DEATH OF PAST COMMANDER IN CHIEF A. T. ANDERSON

John S. Dumser, Oakland, Calif.
 Alfred S. Gabrio, Hazleton, Pa.
 Theodore A. Penland, Portland, Oreg.

ON DEATH OF PAST COMMANDER IN CHIEF GEORGE A. GAY

George H. Jones, Oxford, Maine.
 Charles B. Burt, Springfield, Mass.
 William H. Osborne, Joplin, Mo.

*Departments in order of seniority, according to dates of permanent organization
as heretofore announced*

No.	Department	Organized
1	Illinois	Apr. 6, 1866
2	Wisconsin	June 7, 1866
3	Pennsylvania	Jan. 16, 1867
4	Ohio	Jan. 30, 1867
5	New York	Apr. 3, 1867
6	Connecticut	Apr. 11, 1867
7	Massachusetts	May 7, 1867
8	New Jersey ²	Dec. 10, 1867
9	Maine	Jan. 10, 1868
10	California and Nevada	Feb. 21, 1868
11	Rhode Island ²	Mar. 24, 1868
12	New Hampshire ²	June 30, 1868
13	Vermont ²	Oct. 23, 1868
14	Potomac, ¹ provisional department, organized Aug. 6, 1867	Feb. 13, 1869
15	Virginia and North Carolina ²	July 27, 1871
	As Department of Virginia; name changed to Virginia and North Carolina	May 20, 1892
16	Maryland, ² organized Jan. 8, 1868; reorganized	June 9, 1876
17	Nebraska	June 11, 1877
18	Michigan, organized May 6, 1868; reorganized	Jan. 22, 1879
19	Iowa, organized Sept. 26, 1866; reorganized	Jan. 23, 1879
20	Indiana, organized Aug. 20, 1866; reorganized	Oct. 3, 1879
21	Colorado and Wyoming	Dec. 11, 1879
	As Department of the Mountains; name changed to Colorado July 31, 1882; name changed to Colorado and Wyoming	Aug. 28, 1889
22	Kansas, organized Dec. 7, 1867; reorganized	Mar. 16, 1880
23	Delaware	Jan. 14, 1881
24	Minnesota, organized Aug. 4, 1867; reorganized	Aug. 17, 1881
25	Missouri, organized May 16, 1867; reorganized	Apr. 22, 1882
26	Oregon	Sept. 28, 1882
27	Kentucky	Jan. 16, 1883
28	West Virginia, ² organized Apr. 9, 1868; reorganized	Feb. 20, 1883
29	South Dakota ²	Feb. 27, 1883
	As Department of Dakota; name changed to South Dakota	Apr. 11, 1890
30	Washington and Alaska	June 20, 1883
31	Arkansas ²	July 11, 1883
32	New Mexico ²	July 14, 1883
33	Utah ²	Oct. 9, 1883
34	Tennessee ²	Feb. 26, 1884
35	Louisiana and Mississippi ²	May 15, 1884
	As Department of the Gulf; name changed to Louisiana and Mississippi	June 13, 1888
36	Florida ²	June 19, 1884
37	Montana ²	Mar. 10, 1885
38	Texas ²	Mar. 25, 1885
39	Idaho	Jan. 11, 1888
40	Arizona ²	Jan. 17, 1888
41	Georgia and South Carolina ¹	Jan. 25, 1889
42	Alabama ²	Mar. 12, 1889
43	North Dakota ²	Apr. 23, 1890
44	Oklahoma	Apr. 7, 1890
	As Department of Oklahoma and Indian Territory; name changed to Oklahoma	July 3, 1891
45	Indian Territory	July 3, 1891
	Consolidated with and merged into the Department of Oklahoma, May 19-22, 1908.	

¹ Charter surrendered.

² Closed by death of all members.

ATTENDANCE AT ENCAMPMENT

Illinois : Hiram H. Shumate.
Indiana : Isaac W. Sharp, John C. Adams.
Iowa : John M. Gudgel.
Michigan : Orlando Le Valley.
Missouri : William H. Osborn.
New York : Robert M. Rownd.
Ohio : John Grate, John R. Bennett, Frederick Pfister.
Oregon : Theodore A. Penland.
Utah : Ira Stormes.
Washington and Alaska : Hiram R. Gale.

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE ENCAMPMENT

PROCEEDINGS OF THE SEVENTY-NINTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, AT COLUMBUS, OHIO, SEPTEMBER 30 AND OCTOBER 1 TO 4, 1945

The seventy-ninth national encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic convened in room 1212 of the Deshler-Wallick Hotel, Columbus, Ohio, at 1:48 o'clock p. m. on Wednesday, October 3, 1945, Commander in Chief Isaac W. Sharp, of Warsaw, Ind., presiding.

Secretary KATHARINE R. A. FLOOD. The commander is opening his encampment in due form and calls on the chaplain to give the opening prayer.

Chaplain in Chief ROBERT M. ROWND. Dear Heavenly Father, with gratitude in our hearts and deep appreciation of the love that Thou hast extended to us, we meet in simplicity of spirit. We pray that Thy richest blessings may rest upon the comrades in session this afternoon. We pray that Thou wilt remember us in our deliberations. May Thy Holy Spirit guide us. Let Thy richest blessings rest upon the remnant of the Grand Army of the Republic. Keep us faithful to Thee, dear Heavenly Father, and bless us. And we pray that Thou wilt be with us on our return to our homes after we have closed the sessions which we are expected to attend. Lord, bless us and keep us faithful, and be with us during the last years of our life, and as the years ripen in our life may the blessings bestowed upon us be richer and fuller of hope than at any time in the past that we have lived. These favors we ask in the name of our Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS.

Secretary FLOOD (reading) :

The committee on credentials met Monday and report 10 departments represented, with 6 officers present, and a total of 13 comrades.

JOHN R. BENNETT.
(For the committee.)

The commander wants to know what is your pleasure with respect to the report of the committee on credentials.

Past Commander in Chief ROWND. Commander in chief, I move that the report of the committee on credentials be accepted and placed on file. [Motion seconded.]

Commander in Chief SHARP. You have heard the motion, comrades. What is your pleasure? All in favor signify it by raising your right hand. [Motion carried.]

(Upon roll call of officers by the secretary, the following were found to be present: Isaac W. Sharp, commander in chief; John M. Gudgel, senior vice commander in chief; Hiram R. Gale, junior vice commander in chief; Robert M. Rownd, chaplain in chief; John C. Adams,

quartermaster general; Theodore A. Penland, national patriotic instructor.)

Secretary FLOOD. The commander in chief asks your indulgence that he may remain seated, because it is so difficult for him to stand.

Past Commander in Chief ROWND. I move as the sense of the meeting that he be permitted to retain his seat.

Secretary FLOOD. It has been moved by Comrade Rownd and seconded by Comrade Gudgel that the commander be allowed to remain seated. All those in favor? Those opposed? [Carried.]

The next order of business is the reading of the commander in chief's address.

(Senior Vice Commander in Chief Gudgel assumed the chair, and the address of the commander in chief was read by the shorthand reporter, as follows:)

ADDRESS OF THE COMMANDER IN CHIEF

On September 14, 1944, you, my comrades, bestowed on me the highest office in our beloved organization. At that time the United States of America was at war and the youth of our land were being killed in almost every section of the world. Today in our encampment we can offer a prayer of thanksgiving that Germany has been conquered and peace declared in Europe and Japan has unconditionally surrendered. We cannot expect a sudden transition from warfare to peace and must of necessity look for minor clashes for a time. We can never adequately express to the men of our armed forces the debt of gratitude we owe them for the wonderful records they have made as fighting men and gentlemen. Our Government is making a splendid record in returning our men to this country. May they soon be home and again in their usual home duties.

We are especially proud of the wonderful record of Gen. Douglas MacArthur, the son of our former comrade, Gen. Arthur MacArthur, who won the Congressional Medal in the Civil War while serving as colonel of a Wisconsin regiment.

On my return to Warsaw I was tendered receptions by the Bible conference at Winona Lake and by the First Methodist Church of Warsaw.

The national secretary arrived in Warsaw early in October and we began looking for a suitable office for headquarters. Through the efforts of Col. Orville Kilmer and Mayor F. O. Rarick, Prof. Carl Burt, superintendent of schools, offered us a room on the second floor of the senior high school building. An office desk could not be found in Warsaw and my daughter and Miss Flood spent an entire day in Fort Wayne without finding a desk. Again we were indebted to Colonel Kilmer who, after some searching, secured the loan of a desk and chair from the Playtime Products Co. To Mr. Gilbert Bates, president of this company, we express our sincere thanks.

In November, I was the guest of Warsaw Post, American Legion, at a dinner and later in the month, my daughter Frances, Miss Flood, and I were guests of the United Spanish War Veterans and their auxiliary at a turkey dinner.

On December 9, I was tendered a reception and dinner at Hotel Severin in Indianapolis by the department organizations of the Woman's Relief Corps, Ladies of the GAR, Daughters of Union Veterans

of the Civil War, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, and Auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. This reception was attended by about 200 members of the Indiana organizations and also by Mrs. Laura I. Smith, president, the National Woman's Relief Corps, of Providence, R. I.; Mrs. Eunice Rash, national president of the Ladies of the GAR, of Thayer, Kans.; Mrs. Beatrice D. Manning, national president of the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, Manchester, Conn., and Mrs. Edith B. Nile, national president of the Auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, of Alliance, Ohio.

The allied organizations of Indiana presented me with a silk flag and standard for headquarters and gifts were received from many individuals and from the national presidents in attendance. I am truly appreciative of all these favors.

The next day my daughter and I returned to Warsaw and Miss Flood, accompanied by the national presidents, went on to Columbus, Ohio, to arrange for the national encampment. At Columbus they were joined by Union Mackey, commander in chief of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War of Grand Rapids, Mich. Arrangements were partly completed, subject to the passage of the State appropriation by the Ohio Legislature. Then came the announcement by the Office of Defense Transportation that no convention could be held to which more than 50 people traveled. Miss Flood met all of the national presiding officers in Boston and the question of attendance of each order was thoroughly discussed and a streamlined convention of each was agreed on, subject to approval of the chairman of Office of Defense Transportation. Each organization gave Miss Flood power of attorney to act for their organization. I think all of you know what the decision of ODT was. I am sure you also know that every effort was made by our secretary to secure the necessary release for us to meet with our organizations. The end of the war with Japan and the lifting of the ban on all State conventions gave us courage to again ask for permission to meet, with the result that you all know.

Late in January I had a serious illness, which confined me to the hospital for a month.

On my ninety-seventh birthday, on March 9, the American Legion serenaded me with a band concert at noon and the children of the neighboring school also came in. Moving pictures were taken and were on the screen in a local theater the following week.

On Memorial Day I participated in all of the ceremonies of the day. In June I attended the department encampment of Indiana at Fort Wayne. I am now looking forward to attending the national encampment in the State where I was born and where I enlisted in the First Ohio Cavalry in 1864. I had also taught for 23 years in Ohio until I moved to Warsaw, Ind., where I completed my 42 years in the teaching profession before retiring.

LEGISLATION

Since 1939 we had been trying to secure relief for the widows of Civil War veterans who had married after June 27, 1905. Our loyal friend, Congressman John Lesinski, had repeatedly introduced a bill providing pensions for all widows who had lived with their soldier husbands for 10 years prior to the death of the veteran. Three times

the bill passed the House, only to be blocked in the Senate. In December 1944, however, the Senate also passed the bill and with the signature of President Roosevelt the bill became a law. Our thanks are due to the national presidents of all our organizations, who, at the request of Miss Flood, called on their department officers and members to write their Senators and Congressman urging them to support this bill. To all who aided in any way we are most grateful. I recommend that this encampment express to Congressman Lesinski our appreciation of his efforts in our behalf.

MEMBERSHIP

The report of the adjutant general shows a loss of 91 by death and 3 from other causes, leaving us on December 31, 1944, with 163 members and 73 posts. When we remember that it is now more than 80 years since the Civil War ended, it is remarkable indeed that we have so many members left. During the year the departments of Florida and New Hampshire were closed by the death of the last member in each, leaving us with 25 departments still functioning as such.

IN MEMORIAM

On the last day of the encampment we were saddened by news of the death of Past Commander in Chief A. T. Anderson, who was also a trustee of the permanent fund. He had not been well since he was injured in an automobile accident in Indianapolis, Ind., the night of the Marine Band concert. On September 25, Quartermaster General William H. Ferguson died, and on December 15 came word of the passing of Past Commander in Chief George A. Gay. In March we were saddened by the death of Chaplain in Chief Martin J. Warner. In addition three members of the national council of administration, 14 department officers and a past senior vice commander in chief have been mustered out during the year.

FINANCES

At the beginning of the year, by the generous gifts of our auxiliary and allied orders, with the balance remaining in our checking account of the permanent fund, we were assured of sufficient funds to carry us through the year. This administration will of necessity have to carry the expenses of 13 months instead of 12, but our secretary assures me there will be sufficient funds to pay the closing expenses on October 5. There will be little left for my successor, however, and I commend him to the tender mercies of our auxiliary and allied orders, on whom I know he can depend. They have never let us down, and I know they never will.

At the Des Moines encampment we were given \$400 for the southern memorial fund by the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, but that was not sufficient for our work, and in December, at the reception in Indianapolis, the president of the National Woman's Relief Corps presented us with a check for \$500 for the southern memorial fund, and we gratefully say, "Thank you, Mrs. Smith."

Again we are indebted to Mrs. Zola Miller Donohoe for the wise and careful expenditure of this fund. Her report shows that \$707.90 was

expended and many reports from superintendents of national cemeteries state that the floral tribute of the Grand Army of the Republic was the only recognition of our Memorial Day in the South.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

I wish to express my thanks to all the officers on my staff and to all who have served on committees. I am deeply grateful to all members of the Grand Army of the Republic and our auxiliary and allied orders for the many courtesies shown me and for flowers, gifts, and cards received at Christmas, during my illness and on my birthday.

To Col. Orville Kilmer and Ben H. Eagler we are indebted for many favors and for help when needed. Our thanks are extended to Prof. Carl Burt, superintendent of schools, for assigning us a room for an office, and to him and the high-school staff Miss Flood and I extend our thanks.

I deeply appreciate the many courtesies received from and the spirit of cooperation shown by the presiding officers of the national organizations comprising our Grand Army family. We have been a happy and congenial group, and I regret deeply that we could not have met more often.

My daughter Frances has been ever ready to help me whenever needed and has often sacrificed her own desires and plans in order to help me carry out my plans and wishes.

I especially commend our national secretary, Katharine R. A. Flood, who has been faithful in all the duties of her office. Her knowledge of the workings of the Grand Army of the Republic has lightened my work. She has answered every call made upon her, and I thank her for her faithfulness.

CONCLUSION

It has been in many ways a year of anxiety and worry for all our Grand Army family. First, anxiety for loved ones in the service, and latterly, uncertainty about our encampment. However, we have passed through the stormy seas and have come into the harbor of peace. God grant we may remain at peace. May his blessing be upon you.

Comrade HIRAM H. SHUMATE of Illinois. My dear comrades, I move that the splendid address of the commander in chief be referred to a special committee on the report of the commander in chief. [Motion seconded.]

Secretary FLOOD. Comrade Gudgel, if you wish, I will put the motion for you. It has been moved that the report of the commander in chief be referred to a committee, and that has been seconded. All those in favor? Those opposed? [Carried.]

The committee on the report of the commander in chief is Robert M. Rownd, Frederick Pfiester, John Grate.

On the reports of other officers, Hiram R. Gale, William H. Osborn, and Theo. A. Penland.

Now, comrades, on the advice of James H. Willett, son of the former Judge Advocate Willett, who has been acting as our legal adviser, it becomes necessary to amend our Rules and Regulations, and in order to do that it is first necessary to suspend chapter V, article XVI, covering alterations and amendments, by this encampment. A motion is in order.

Past Commander in Chief ROWND. I will make the motion that chapter V, article XVI, covering alterations and amendments, be suspended for the 1945 encampment.

Secretary FLOOD. May I explain that you are supposed to print amendments in general orders 30 days before the encampment. We did not have 30 days' notice of the encampment and we could not do it. But it becomes necessary for the working of the order to have these amendments, so you can suspend that chapter V, article XVI.

Past Commander in Chief ROWND. I so move. [Seconded by Comrade Shumate.]

Secretary FLOOD. It is moved by Comrade Rownd and seconded by Comrade Shumate that chapter V of article XVI of the Rules and Regulations be suspended for the 1945 encampment. All those in favor? Those opposed? [Carried.]

The next motion is that the Rules and Regulations of the Grand Army of the Republic requiring approval, presentation, and notice in altering or amending any section be suspended and that the first sentence of chapter V, article I, section 3, as adopted September 9, 1937, be altered and amended in lieu thereof to read:

Post charters shall not be surrendered while one member desires continuance of the post, but this shall not deprive the national encampment of the right to take a charter from a post when it is deemed best for the good of the order.

I may say that at the last encampment we adopted the chapter covering posts, but we did not amend the chapter covering the general rules, and both should have been adopted. What is your pleasure? That a post charter shall not be surrendered while one member desires to keep it, but this shall not prevent the national encampment from taking a charter when it is considered for the good of the order. This all hinges on that Minnesota trouble.

Comrade IRA STORMES of Utah. I make a motion that one can hold the charter.

Secretary FLOOD. That is right, Comrade Stormes, that one man can hold it, but the national encampment shall have the right to take it if it is deemed necessary.

Comrade STORMES. You cannot make that.

Secretary FLOOD. I don't think you understand, Comrade Stormes.

Comrade STORMES. I don't believe the delegates here have got any right to take that charter.

Secretary FLOOD. What charter?

Comrade STORMES. You said that they could take the charter.

Secretary FLOOD. When it is deemed best for the good of the order. You know the situation in Minnesota. The man surrendered his charter and now he says he didn't. The national encampment needs to take that charter to support us in court action.

Commander in Chief SHARP. They saw him surrender it, these people.

Secretary FLOOD. Do you make the motion or withdraw it?

Comrade STORMES. I will make the motion. [Motion seconded.]

Secretary FLOOD. The motion is made by Comrade Stormes, seconded by Comrade Shumate, that chapter V, article I, section 3, be altered and amended to read:

Post charters shall not be surrendered while one member desires continuance of the post, but this shall not deprive the national encampment of the right to take a charter from a post when it is deemed best for the good of the order.

All those in favor? Those opposed? The commander in chief declares that adopted.

It is moved that the Rules and Regulations of the Grand Army of the Republic requiring approval, presentation, and notice in altering or amending any section, be suspended and that chapter V, article VI, section 2, be altered and amended by eliminating the last sentence of said section 2 thereof and that there be substituted therefor and in lieu of same the following: "At the discretion of the national encampment;" that sections 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, and 9 of said chapter V, article VI be eliminated and section 8 become section 3 thereof.

You know that the rules and regulations provide for courts martial. Under the membership now of the Grand Army you never could hold a court martial because you could not get enough men together. And it is the recommendation of the attorney that we simply eliminate the court-martial provisions. There is not a question of our bringing a court martial against any comrade at this late day, and under the rules we haven't enough men to hold one. What is your pleasure?

Comrade SHUMATE. I move it be adopted.

Secretary FLOOD. Moved by Comrade Shumate that this amendment be adopted. Seconded by Comrade Bennett. All those in favor? Those opposed? The commander in chief declares it adopted.

A resolution [reading]:

Whereas chapter II, article I, section 2 and chapter V, article I, section 3 of the Rules and Regulations of the Grand Army of the Republic as amended provide that as long as one member desires continuance of a post no charter shall be surrendered except it shall not deprive the national encampment of the right to take a charter from a post when it is deemed best for the good of the order, and

Whereas there has been some contention whether George N. Morgan Post No. 4 of Minneapolis, Minn., has been legally forfeited, disbanded, or voluntarily surrendered;

Now therefore, in order to bar any further difficulty concerning the same, it is moved that the supreme power of this national encampment be exercised for the good of the order in the premises and that said post be and the same is hereby declared to be forfeited, disbanded, and surrendered and that all prior acts concerning said forfeiture, abandonment, or surrender be and the same are hereby ratified and confirmed.

Now that resolution is for the benefit of the court, the Supreme Court of Minnesota, next month on the trial.

Past Commander in Chief ROWND. I move that the resolution be adopted. [Motion seconded].

Secretary FLOOD. Moved by Comrade Rownd and seconded by Comrade Stormes that this resolution be adopted. All those in favor? Those opposed? The commander in chief declares it adopted.

Now there is another resolution. You comrades have heard of the Grand Army Highway that starts in Massachusetts down by Cape Cod and ends in California. A resolution was adopted by the legislature of Pennsylvania naming the highway there, and then the legislature rescinded it for some reason or other, and the Sons of Veterans have sent this resolution here for your consideration [reading]:

Whereas United States Transcontinental Highway No. 6 passes through 14 States, and in 8 of those States has been dedicated as the Grand Army of the Republic Highway;

Be it resolved by the seventy-ninth encampment, Grand Army of the Republic, in session at Columbus, Ohio, October 3, 1945, that the officials, representatives, and citizens of those States taking favorable action, are commended for so honoring our organization and departed comrades, and,

Be it further resolved, That the governors, assemblies, or legislatures of those States that have not taken action be suitably memorialized, with the object that the Grand Army of the Republic Highway be extended in an unbroken chain from the Atlantic to the Pacific Oceans.

What is your pleasure?

Past Commander in Chief ROWND. I move the adoption of the resolution. [Motion seconded.]

Secretary FLOOD. Moved by Comrade Rownd and seconded by Comrade Shumate that the resolution be adopted. All those in favor? Those opposed? The commander in chief declares it adopted.

There are two greetings committees in waiting, and we have the report of the auditing committee. There was only one comrade on the committee, Comrade LeValley, and Miss Nixon, who is a bank cashier, the daughter of Past Commander in Chief Nixon, worked with him and audited the books, and we have the report [reading]:

REPORT OF AUDITING COMMITTEE

We have carefully examined the receipts and vouchers for expense and have compared the footings of the books as kept by the secretary of the quartermaster with above and find them correct.

ORLANDO LEVALLEY.

What is your pleasure?

Past Commander in Chief ROWND. Move the adoption. [Motion seconded.]

Secretary FLOOD. Moved by Comrade Rownd and seconded by Comrade Gale that the report be adopted. All those in favor? Those opposed? The commander in chief declares the motion adopted.

Now, commander in chief, there is in waiting a greetings committee from the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War. They will come right in. The committee is composed of Matilda D. Roberts, past national president; Ora Cox, past national president; Jane Filkins, department president of California; and Mable Rickoff, department president of Iowa.

Mrs. ROBERTS. The Daughters of Union Veterans are always very proud of their fathers, and it is a high honor and a great privilege when we are permitted to come and pay you a visit and bring greetings. Our greetings are most sincere and come from the bottom of our hearts. Your interests are our interests, and your wants are the things that we like to help you fulfill, and anything that the Daughters can do at any time to be of service to you we are always ready to do for the comrades of our fathers.

We know you are having a nice encampment here and we wish you a happy return home and hope that you may meet again next year.

Commander Sharp, my national president sends you this little personal gift with her love and best wishes, and wishes you a happy journey on your return home.

Secretary FLOOD. They had instructions from their national president that only one of them could speak.

Commander in Chief SHARP. Comrade Rownd, will you respond to the greetings of the committee.

Past Commander in Chief ROWND. Very happy to have the honor of doing so, because it has been such a splendid organization; and we thank all these organizations for the splendid financial aid that has been received from these organizations since their inception. We most

heartily and cheerfully greet you and we hope that you will have one of the most successful conventions in the history of your organization, and extend hearty greetings from this organization to yours and the assurance of our high respect and love.

Mrs. ROBERTS. Commander Sharp, this has been a beautiful privilege because you are from my own home State, Indiana, and I am glad Ohio let you come to Indiana.

A committee of Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War composed of Past Commanders in Chief W. L. Anderson and Henry Towle was then admitted to the encampment.

Mr. ANDERSON. You precious jewels of the Grand Army of the Republic, I am happy to have this privilege today to come here and to bring to each one of you the greetings of the national organization of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

We are thankful to our great Commander in Chief above for preserving you men to us that we may still enjoy your companionship and your teachings of patriotism and loyalty to our country.

You men have lived through many wars. You have just gone through another war, a World War, where the United States has suffered over 900,000 casualties, 200,000 of whom paid the supreme sacrifice on the battlefields in yonder countries. They fought and died that we might still live in a free United States of America. They fought and died for the same ideals and principles for which you were willing to offer your lives under the commandership of Abraham Lincoln.

We are indeed grateful to you and your many thousands of comrades who answered the call of Lincoln over 80 years ago, because had it not been for your services and sacrifices we could not possibly today in this war in which the United States of America was engaged have won this World War. They were inspired by you because of your services and your sacrifices to keep the United States together as a union.

Now as Commander in Chief Mackey of our organization could not come here, he wished that I should present to your commander in Chief a personal gift to him, which I will do at this time. These, I believe, are a few smokes that I am going to give to your commander in chief, and he will in turn see that all of you comrades join him when he has a smoke.

Now at our encampment just before we left we were speaking about cooperation of all our organizations in seeing to it that this great memorial, the Grand Army of the Republic Highway, shall be completed to its fullest extent from the east coast to the west coast. May I add a personal touch to that Grand Army of the Republic Highway by saying it is my son, now a captain in the United States Army in this war, that proposed the idea of having a memorial to the Grand Army of the Republic in the form of a highway. His thought was this, that if such a highway was completed from coast to coast you can imagine that millions upon millions of people who will travel over that highway from coast to coast in their automobiles and otherwise will always see before them the name of the Grand Army of the Republic. We as an organization want to perpetuate and keep green your memories. In doing so we want to complete and keep green your name as well as your memory, and I believe in this memorial your name will be perpetuated in years to come. I thank you, comrades.

Secretary FLOOD. We just passed that.

Mr. TOWLE. Commander in Chief Sharp and your comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, my brother, Bill Anderson, stole most of my thunder. The commander in chief of the Sons of Union Veterans delegated me yesterday to present these little tokens to the commander in chief and to his most efficient secretary. But Bill being the senior to me, why of course I had to let him do part of the job. He will do a much better job in talking, anyway.

But I wish to bring to you the greetings and sincere best wishes of your past commander in chief, George H. Jones, of Maine. I called on him a week ago at the hospital in Togus. I found him mentally alert and in fairly good health, but his eyesight is so poor that he is unable to navigate on the metal floors alone. But he has an orderly that takes him out every pleasant day and gets him out in the fresh air. But he wanted me to bring his sincere greetings to you, his comrades, and I do it now.

Now to your most efficient secretary Katharine Flood, from my commander in chief, with his best wishes and appreciation of the cooperation he has had from you in the past year; and he says that may not be what you think it is.

Secretary FLOOD. Brother Towle, will you take back to Brother Mackey my appreciation of this, whatever it may be. It is not the price of the gift, it is the thought that counts, and no matter how small, the fact that you are remembered means much. I know it does to me and I think it does to others. Will you thank him for me.

Now the commander wants to say something. I wonder if he cannot say it without getting up. Do you want to express your appreciation for your gift?

Commander in Chief SHARP. They told me what it was. Seventy-five years ago I quit using it, and so I will have to pass it on to you. I want to thank the boys for their remembrance. As she says, to know that you are remembered means much. Words cannot express feelings sometimes. You think of things you would like to say, and then cannot find the words to express yourself. It is the touch of the hand and the personality that goes with it, and the loyalty and true friendship that goes with these gifts they bring to us that shows that they appreciate the office in which we have served. These things do not come to me personally; it was that for which I stand, for what I represent today. That is the way I feel about these things. I want to thank with all my soul the person who presented this gift.

Secretary FLOOD. That is from the commander in chief of the Sons, and I want to say that I have the advantage. I don't have to share my gift.

The commander in chief wants Comrade Gudgel, senior vice commander in chief, to respond to the greetings.

Comrade GUDGEL. I can't very well. I don't hear anything that is going on. I want to thank you for all the many things that have been given. I can't hardly talk any. I have got a cold in my throat.

Secretary FLOOD. You thank them for their greeting, and you want them to take back the best wishes of this encampment to theirs?

Comrade GUDGEL. I do.

Secretary FLOOD (after distributing cigars). Mr. Elliott says 5 out of the 13 smoke.

Past Commander in Chief ROWND. No parallel to that in any other organization.

Secretary FLOOD. I have a communication from the White House. [Reading:]

THE WHITE HOUSE,
Washington, September 27, 1945.

ISAAC W. SHARP, Esq.,

*Commander in Chief, Grand Army of the Republic,
Deshler-Wallick Hotel, Columbus, Ohio.*

DEAR COMRADE SHARP: It is a privilege and an honor to salute you and all the valiant heroes of the Grand Army of the Republic. Although your country owes you a debt which it is impossible to repay, the services which you rendered will never be forgotten. It is in the best tradition of the GAR that fourscore years after Appomattox you and your venerable colleagues—survivors of shot and shell and conquerors of the averages of time—are gathering to renew old associations and live again the stirring days of '61 to '65.

I regret that it is impossible for me to accept your kind invitation to attend in person the seventy-ninth national encampment; but I know you understand the heavy pressure under which all of us are working these days. But I shall be thinking of you and as a soldier comrade send you hearty felicitations and warmest personal greetings.

Faithfully yours,

HARRY S. TRUMAN.

Past Commander in Chief ROWND. I move the acceptance of these splendid greetings from the President, and the secretary be authorized to express our deep appreciation of the letter which has been received.

Secretary FLOOD. The motion is made by Comrade Rownd, seconded by Comrade Shumate, that we express our deep appreciation for the message received from the President. All those in favor? Those opposed? The commander in chief declares it voted.

Now we have here greetings from Togus, Maine. [Reading:]

Greetings and best wishes to my comrades for a successful encampment. Regret I cannot be with you.

GEORGE H. JONES,
Past Commander in Chief.

A telegram from Chelan, Wash.:

Greetings from Mary MacArthur Tent No. 37.

CARRIE MAGUIRE.

Another communication:

Commander ISAAC W. SHARP,

Grand Army of the Republic, Warsaw, Ind.

MY DEAR COMMANDER SHARP: I want to thank you for your kind letter of September 18 and express my appreciation to the members of the Grand Army of the Republic for their kind thoughts.

It would give me great pleasure to attend your seventy-ninth national encampment at Columbus, Ohio, but due to the necessary preparation for my departure, I am unable to leave Washington during the week of September 30. I very much regret not being able to accept your kind invitation.

I have enjoyed our association and hope that we may meet again in the not too distant future.

With kindest regards, I am,

Very sincerely,

FRANK T. HINES,

I have a greetings from the widow of Past Commander in Chief Jewel, from Spears Sanitarium, Denver, Colo. [Reading:]

SEPTEMBER 27, 1945.

*To the Grand Army of the Republic, in Convention Assembled,
Columbus, Ohio:*

From a hospital bed I am sending you greetings in the name of your Past Commander in Chief James E. Jewel. At Dows Arboretum, 40 miles from Columbus, there is growing a red, white, and blue spruce tree planted in honor of the Grand Army of the Republic and dedicated by your Past Commander in Chief James E. Jewel.

As we of the present are passing quietly into the West, our tree will grow stronger and taller and remind the passer-by of the Army which once marched so proudly.

May you have a good convention and each go home happier for having come.

Yours in fraternity, charity, and loyalty,

MARY S. JEWEL.

I would like authority to acknowledge these greetings.

Comrade HIRAM R. GALE, of Washington and Alaska. I move that you have the authority. [Motion seconded.]

Secretary FLOOD. Motion by Comrade Gale, seconded by Comrade Rownd, that I be authorized to acknowledge these greetings. All those in favor? Those opposed? The commander in chief declares it passed.

I have a letter which is more or less of a personal letter from the commander in chief of the Sons of last year, but he sends to this encampment his greetings and his regrets that having had his vacation earlier when he didn't know about the encampment he cannot take it now, because his firm is in the process of reconversion back to peacetime work. But he wanted his greetings to go to all you comrades. From C. LeRoy Stoudt, commander in chief of the Sons of Veterans last year. I will include that with the other greetings.

There are two other greetings committees on their way.

Past Commander in Chief ROWND. I move a recess of 15 minutes. [Seconded by Comrade Penland and carried.]

(Recess: 2:58-3:12 p. m.)

Secretary FLOOD. I think the whole State of Indiana is coming in. This is the Indiana delegation from the Auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans entering. Mrs. Emma Finch, past national president, chairman.

Mrs. FINCH. Commander Sharp and members of this national body of the Grand Army of the Republic: Indiana is more than proud to have as its leader this year one of our own. Our national president, Sister Edith Nile, has traveled with you some this year, and she has loved you and enjoyed you very, very much. She has asked us to come with the Indiana delegation and bring you her personal greetings and these little gifts, with her great love and her hope and wish that you live to attend many more national encampments.

These are the members of our auxiliary from the department of Indiana. We are your children and we are so happy and honored at being here.

This is our department president, Sister Henrietta Schmadel, from Lafayette.

Mrs. SCHMADEL. Comrade Sharp and all the comrades of my father who fought with you in the Civil War, this is worth the trip up here to Columbus. I did not expect the honor of coming in to greet you

comrades. I am certainly happy to be here and to bring you the greetings from the entire Indiana Department. Commander Sharp, this is from the Department of Indiana Auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans. I hope to be with you many, many years.

Secretary FLOOD. We had a misunderstanding. We thought that was the Indiana greetings, but it was the national greetings committee composed of the entire Indiana delegation. There is another greetings committee on the way, but they have not arrived, so you can just be at ease for a few minutes.

I want to report to the comrades that on Monday night, the Woman's Relief Corps gave the Grany Army \$1,000 for its general fund and \$500 for its southern memorial. The Ladies of the Grand Army gave \$1,000 for the general fund. The Daughters of Union Veterans gave \$1,500 for the general fund and \$400 for the southern memorial. The Sons of Veterans gave \$500 for the general fund and the Auxiliary gave \$500. So we have \$900 for the southern memorial and \$4,500 for the general fund next year.

Past Commander in Chief ROWND. And that money, I believe, is in the possession of the banks.

Secretary FLOOD. It is in the registered mail on the way to the Indianapolis bank, so we will be sure to get the money before anything happens to the checks.

The week before I came here I had a letter from Past Commander in Chief Dumser, and he expressed his regrets that he was unable to come. A year ago last May he had an operation on his face. Those of you who saw him at Milwaukee must have noticed the sore right down in here [indicating], and when he went to the department encampment down at Los Angeles he went to the Veterans' hospital and they told him that must be taken care of at once. And he came back 2 weeks later and they operated. As it happened the spot outside was very small, but it had gone way inside almost into the eye. So it was a very serious operation and it left him very much broken in nerves and health. But he is coming back slowly and has begun to go to the various meetings of the orders, and I think eventually he will be his old self. He has started to work out in his garden again, and that is a good sign, and good for him. But he said if he didn't come, to give his greetings to his comrades and tell them he will never forget his encampment in Milwaukee. I know you are glad to have that greeting from your commander.

I had here, yesterday, a letter from Mrs. Haider, of Santa Barbara, who was his national president of the Relief Corps. While it was a personal letter to me, she asked me to express her greetings to you comrades.

I also had a letter from Erma Chaplin, who was Comrade Dumser's national president of the Daughters, and she sent her greetings to the comrades.

Mrs. Haider's husband is seriously ill. Mrs. Chaplin had just lost her young son. So they sent their greetings to you even with that worry on their minds.

Past Commander in Chief ROWND. Commander in Chief, I move that the secretary be authorized to extend the greetings of the Grand Army of the Republic now in session to these people that have sent their greetings to our organization. [Motion seconded.]

Secretary FLOOD. Seconded by Comrade Shumate. It is moved that I be authorized to send greetings to these people who sent greetings to your encampment. All those in favor? Those opposed? The commander in chief declares it so voted.

Comrades, the national president of the Woman's Relief Corps and her committee.

Mrs. LAURA I. SMITH, national president Woman's Relief Corps. Comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, I feel so happy to come with the past national presidents and bring you greetings of your Auxiliary, 80,000 strong. With me are Mrs. Cora M. Davis, Oregon; Mrs. Marie Basham, Iowa; Mrs. Catherine McBride Hoster, of Indiana; Mrs. Emma W. Campbell, of Minnesota; Miss Beatrice Tyson, of New York; Mrs. Mary J. Love, of Kentucky; Mrs. Ida Heacock Baker, of Kansas; Mrs. Grace Hahn, of Florida; and Mrs. May Luchsinger, of Wisconsin. Mrs. Lizetta Coady is not here, and she will regret it. But just as soon as I received notice that you were ready for us to come I announced it. Every past national president knew they were on the committee and they arose to their feet to come and extend greetings.

We have had a wonderful year in the Woman's Relief Corps, and we have tried to bring credit and honor to you comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic. It is my pride to tell you that our women have raised \$104,000 to help save the lives of the boys fighting in the air, on the sea, on the land, and in the submarines. You fought in the South on the battlefields, you were victorious, and you gave to us a United States of America; and the flag that you saved and the country you fought for and redeemed as a United States was the country that the boys of this war represented. How many lives went out over there on picket, or in the fox holes, or shot down from the air, or went down in the submarines, none can tell. But your Auxiliary is going to continually care for them tenderly as we have for you boys in the last 63 years. The torch of patriotism and the torch of everything that is good will burn high with the name of the Grand Army of the Republic.

I bring you the greetings of 80,000 women banded together in that noble trio, the same as you of the Grand Army of the Republic, fraternity, charity, and loyalty.

It is my closing hours as national president, but I thank my Heavenly Father that I have been given strength to carry on, to work with the Auxiliary that you gave the right to live in 1883. May God bless and keep every one of you.

Commander in Chief SHARP. Comrade Shumate, will you respond to these greetings?

Comrade SHUMATE. I will be very happy to do so. I am very happy for the opportunity to respond to the Woman's Relief Corps, for it is one of the greatest organizations there is of the women's organizations. I belong to it. I belong to the Grand Army and I belong also to the Daughters. But the Woman's Relief Corps, as Lincoln said, he owed a whole lot of his life to his mother. I think we, the Grand Army, owe a whole lot of ourselves the last 25 or 30 years to the Woman's Relief Corps. You have taken us over the rocks several times. We would have no place in history if it had not been for the Woman's Relief Corps. I have often heard them where the Grand Army met

at our conventions. You hear so much about the Grand Army. I am a true man to the Grand Army, but I am also true to those that have kept us alive. God bless you is my prayer, and I hope we will meet again. If we don't meet in this world, we will meet in the world to come. God bless you.

Mrs. SMITH. Comrades, these are the ladies who have been national presidents during the years that have gone by. They have come to honor you. The first lady is Cora M. Davis, of Portland, Oreg.

Mrs. DAVIS. I desire to salute these comrades of the Grand Army. My father was one of you before he died.

Mrs. SMITH. Mrs. Marie L. Basham, of Iowa. Mrs. Catherine McBride Hoster. Now comes Mrs. Emma W. Campbell, of Minnesota. Miss Beatrice J. Tyson, of New York. Mrs. Mary J. Love, of Kentucky. Mrs. Grace Hahn, of Florida. Mrs. May L. Luchsinger, of Wisconsin. [The committee retires.]

Secretary FLOOD. There is another committee due here in about 5 minutes, and I think, if they come, then you could be dismissed until tomorrow morning.

Past Commander in Chief ROWND. I move that when we adjourn that we meet tomorrow morning at 9:30. [Seconded by Comrade Stormes.]

Secretary FLOOD. It is moved that when we adjourn it will be to meet tomorrow morning in this room at 9:30. All those in favor? Those opposed? The commander in chief declares it so voted. He says make it sharp. We will be at ease for 5 minutes until the committee comes.

While we are waiting, comrades, I would like to tell you I feel we owe a resolution of thanks to Congressman Lesinski, of Michigan, who for several years introduced a bill changing the marriage date of the widows. He always got it through the House, but the Senate turned it down. But he did get it through the Senate last December, with the result that any widow who lived with her soldier husband 10 years after marrying him now receives a pension, and I do think this encampment should express its appreciation to Congressman John Lesinski for his efforts in behalf of the widows.

Comrade GALE. I move that you be authorized to express the thanks of this encampment. [Motion seconded.]

Secretary FLOOD. Moved by Comrade Gale and seconded by Comrade Rownd that I be authorized to write a resolution of thanks from this encampment for Congressman John Lesinski. All those in favor? Those opposed? The commander in chief declares it unanimous.

Comrade GALE. May I have the privilege of saying a word? Comrades, our Rules and Regulations require that the property of the post be returned to the department headquarters. Now, out in my department there were 127 posts and the commander previous to my being elected only turned over two or three to me—the flag and books and papers. Now where the others are I don't know for sure. I think my post in Seattle is the only one that is carrying on.

Now the question I want to suggest or call your attention is what you think should be done with this property of all of the posts of the entire country—what should be done? I cannot take care of it. If I had the property of that 127 posts I would not want to take care of that.

I would have to have storage. If you don't have time today it will give you something to think of. I think it would be well for the comrades before we go to express our wish what should be done with that property.

It has been suggested, and I don't know but Miss Flood has said to me, that there had been talk of sending it all to Washington and put it in some historical or some other society. If you don't have time to attend to that here perhaps we will tomorrow before we leave, and it will give you something to think about.

I would like to know because the different ladies' orders, the women's orders, are there now and they have been asking me if they cannot have the property of their post, and I have no authority to give them that property, and I would like to know so that I can give them a definite answer.

Secretary FLOOD. I think I can tell Comrade Gale what happened to some of the property in the Washington department. I was told 6 or 7 years ago that a past department commander who later became an assistant adjutant general—he was dead at the time I was told this—his wife acted as his secretary, and when the people wanted to send them the charters and the books of record they said they didn't want them; they didn't care what they did with them. Now some post property is probably around in organizations, halls, or in families, or destroyed.

In the department of Iowa, Miss Noll, who is the secretary, has done a very fine job of locating many of those charters and books of record, and they have a wonderful historical society there, to which I assume, when the Grand Army is gone, they will go, will they not, Amy?

Miss NOLL. We passed a resolution at the last encampment that they be held there until such time as there is an addition to the historical building, or a memorial room for the wars, in which they can be placed and have adequate space.

Secretary FLOOD. Miss Noll says the last session of the Iowa encampment voted that they would keep their records in the headquarters in the statehouse until such time as an addition is built on the historical building for the records of all wars, and that building is under consideration in the State of Iowa I know.

Now in many departments the records are sent in to the department headquarters and they are then sent to the State historical society.

The Department of Archives in Washington has expressed its willingness to accept records where they have no State historical society. They will take them and keep them with the Civil War records in the archives there. But they are in about the same fix as Iowa for room. They already have a recommendation in that a new archives building be built about five times as large as the one they have. So that is something for you to think about.

Under the Grand Army law no organization may keep the charter or books of record because there is no security for the future of an organization any more than there is of yours. We all know that corps and circles and tents and auxiliaries and camps have gone out of existence. They all have a great desire to secure these things, but the people who are so desirous of securing them are beginning to go and the people who are coming in are not half as much interested as the people were originally.

I think it is something every department should consider, what they are going to do with those records. In many counties and many towns they have memorial buildings that are absolutely nothing but a memorial building. If a post meets there they can leave the charter on the wall while that is a memorial building, but the minute it ceases to be that and is used for some other purpose it must be sent to a historical society or to the library and secure the receipt of that location for the books and charter.

But you know libraries don't want to be bothered with anything about the Civil War, and they generally hesitate to do so. So you should do some thinking about what you are going to do with your department records when the department closes.

Comrade PENLAND. For a good many years we have kept our records in one of the elevator shafts in the courthouse, and it came to a time when they thought they needed the elevator shaft, and then we moved our records to the battleship *Oregon*. Then there came a time since this war started that they scrapped the battleship *Oregon* and we took the records and boxed them up and I have them in the basement. Now, if I might give them to the Sons of Veterans——

Secretary FLOOD. No; not to any organization. You can send them to the State historical society, but you cannot give them to any organization because there is no future guarantee for the Sons of Veterans any more than there is for the Grand Army.

Past Commander in Chief ROWND. By virtue of a resolution which I introduced 4 years ago in our department of New York, all the records for the various posts were directed to be sent to a historical society of the county in which they were located. That action was taken and they were disposed of in that way.

Secretary FLOOD. That is the proper thing.

Commander in Chief SHARP. I have 75 or possibly 100 books, records of the war, as they were published, histories of the war. When the book came out I got one, and when a different edition was published I got it. I have got some of them 3 inches thick or more.

Comrade PENLAND. If there is a proper place to put them I want to know it.

Secretary FLOOD. That is the proper place. They should be accessible for people to look up records. You know it is your post records, your post membership that is a means sometimes of determining whether a father, grandfather or great-grandfather served in the Civil War. A child may say, "I heard my great-grandfather say he belonged to the Grand Army in Portland." Well, once they can have access to these books many times they can prove it. You know the younger generations don't bother much telling their children about what their ancestors did in the Civil War. It is what they themselves did in the World War they tell their children about.

Comrade PENLAND. They can get access to these books. They can go to the library and get most of the records.

Secretary FLOOD. If they go to the historical society they will be available.

Comrade SHUMATE. I would like to ask a question for information. Can the members of a post turn over personal or other property to the Sons of Veterans? I am not sure of that.

Secretary FLOOD. Comrade Shumate, it depends on what you mean by property. They cannot transfer the books of record or the charter. Their personal property the post can vote to do with as they please—with their flags, with their furniture, or with the building if they own it. But it must be by vote of the post.

Comrade PENLAND. Where is the proper place for the charter they turn over?

Secretary FLOOD. It should be turned in at the present time to the department headquarters until you have another place to put it where it is safe. If you have a county historical building where that post is located then that is the place for it, because that is local. If you do not have a local county historical society then I would say it belonged in the State historical society, because that is a part of the history. The men in those posts made your States, particularly those in the West. Is that what you referred to as personal property?

Comrade SHUMATE. Only part. There has been a question as to whether or not we had a right to do those things, to turn them over. Stephenson Post before I joined it—don't get the idea I have not been a member of the Grand Army all these years. I was a member of Camp Butler Post 389 before they all died off and left me. I joined Stephenson Post and I have been a member of that for a long while. I am the end of it. I am the only one there is of it. But before I joined it, why, all this furniture and stuff had been turned over to different organizations—that is, the Sons of Veterans, there being two camps there at the time. The Woman's Relief Corps think they ought to have part of it.

Secretary FLOOD. If the members of the post by vote turned that over, no matter when, to the Sons of Veterans, you cannot give it to the Corps. You cannot undo what your predecessors did.

Comrade SHUMATE. I just inquired. At the close of the Grand Army will each State provide for its own records, or will there be a national place for the records?

Secretary FLOOD. So far each States provides for its own. That is what we have been talking about.

Comrade SHUMATE. I tried to get them to buy the old courthouse at one time in Springfield, the old statehouse, it used to be, and make a memorial hall out of that and store their records in it. They talked about that.

Past Commander in Chief ROWND. Could I disturb the meeting just for a moment? Comrade Stormes is very tired and he is suffering some pain and would like to leave the meeting. I will have to take care of him. I agreed to take him back to his room.

Secretary FLOOD. I told that committee that you would be here until 4 o'clock, and it is now 10 minutes past, and the comrades are getting restless. They are getting tired. You tell doctor to come back in the morning after 9:30.

Comrade SHUMATE. I move that we adjourn until 9:30 tomorrow morning. [Seconded by Comrade Gale.]

Secretary FLOOD. All those in favor? Those opposed? It is declared by the commander in chief to be so voted. You stand adjourned until tomorrow morning at 9:30. (4:12 p. m.)

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 4, 1945

Morning Session, 9:37 a. m.

Commander in Chief SHARP. The meeting will come to order.

Chaplain in Chief ROWND. Let us unite in prayer. Dear Heavenly Father, accept our assurances of our deep appreciation for the opportunity of meeting in the second session of the encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic. We ask for Thy richest blessings to rest upon each of the members of our organization present, with the hope that You will give us wisdom and strength in transacting the business that is to come before us. Give us wisdom for the transaction of the business which we are to conduct this morning.

We pray for Thy presence during this day, and bless us in our deliberations.

Keep us faithful unto the end of life. Save each one of us at last. We ask in the name of our blessed Father, the Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Secretary FLOOD. The commander in chief declares the second session of the seventy-ninth national encampment open and ready for the transaction of business.

Now we have some resolutions on the deaths of officers of last year.

Past Commander in Chief ROWND. Commander in Chief, I move that we proceed at once into the resolutions to be read by the secretary, as prepared by the various committees.

Commander in Chief SHARP. You have heard the motion. Is there a second to that? [Motion seconded.] All in favor say "Aye." Contrary, the same. [Carried.]

Secretary FLOOD. Of the committee on the death of Quartermaster General William H. Ferguson only one member of the committee was present and he had to leave for home this morning—Comrade John C. Adams, of Jonesboro, and he had submitted the article that was in General Orders No. 4 in memory of Quartermaster General William H. Ferguson.

(The memorial will be found at p. 169 of this journal.)

Comrade GALE. I move its adoption. [Motion seconded.]

Secretary FLOOD. Moved by Comrade Gale, and seconded by Comrade Shumate, that this resolution be adopted. All those in favor? Opposed? Declared adopted by the commander in chief.

Resolution on the death of Chaplain in Chief Martin J. Warner, Robert M. Rownd chairman.

Past Commander in Chief ROWND. Will the secretary be kind enough to read the resolution of the committee?

Secretary FLOOD. There is some information missing on this in the information that came from the department headquarters, and in General Orders the date of death was not given. I will secure that and fill it in.

(The memorial will be found at p. 170 of this journal.)

Comrade GALE. I move the adoption of the resolution. [Motion seconded.]

Secretary FLOOD. Motion by Comrade Gale, seconded by Comrade Stormes, that this resolution be adopted. All those in favor? Opposed? Declared adopted by the commander in chief.

There are some committees in waiting and since they have business to attend to I would suggest that we suspend the reading of the resolutions until after they have presented their greetings.

This is Dr. Ralph R. Barrett, of California, past commander in chief of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

Dr. BARRETT. Commander in chief of the Grand Army of the Republic and members assembled of the seventy-ninth annual encampment; As one of the past commanders in chief of the Sons of Union Veterans, I was born and raised in the State of Ohio and my people went out from this State. I am now a Californian by adoption, going out there some years ago.

It has been my privilege to serve the Grand Army of the Republic in many ways. Many of you individual members here come in close contact with me because for many years, since 1902, I have been practicing general medicine, and I always try to serve the comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic faithfully and to the best of my ability under all occasions.

As a Son of the Union Veterans, one vitally interested in the affairs our country, it has been my privilege for a number of years now to have been national chairman of the Grand Army Highway, a memorial to this splendid organization that you represent, and you are representing them well in this day and age after this great war which we hope of for permanent peace—your anxiety, your interests in the welfare of this our country.

We Sons want to say to you, and I want to say to you personally as past commander in chief that we love you and we want to serve, and we want to do our utmost that your days here may be of such importance, even in these later days, that we turn to you for advice, for inspiration and guidance in the affairs with which we have to do with this our country. And so I consider it a special privilege that I am here.

I have been busy, very busy, with the affairs of the Sons of the Union Veterans in encampment here since I have been in the city, and especially with highway affairs. We are working on this memorial to the Grand Army of the Republic to place these memorials along this great highway known as No. 6, from the Atlantic to the Pacific. My native State of Ohio has passed such a law and marked it as a memorial. My adopted State of California did the same thing, and sometime you will come to California on it. It is United States Highway No. 6. Every so often you will see a splendid marker there that indicates that that highway is dedicated to the memory of the Grand Army of the Republic.

I will not take up your time. I simply want to ask one question, if the comrade from Missouri is here. Are you from Joplin, Comrade?

Comrade OSBORN. Yes.

Dr. BARRETT. I wonder if he remembers—are you hearing me—some few years ago when I was in Missouri as commander in chief of the Sons of Union Veterans. I arrived in Joplin, Mo., one morning early and I did not see any reception committee to meet me, and so I went down on the street to see what I could see and find what I could find. And finally as I walked along the street I saw a man that I was quite sure was a veteran of the Civil War. I thought I saw that little bronze button as I passed him, and then I turned around and

came back to him and then I knew. I saluted the comrade and I told him that I was the son of a Union veteran of the Civil War. And he said, "Young man, I want to tell you there is going to be a meeting here tonight and the commander in chief of the Sons is going to talk to us, and you want to be there." I didn't say anything to him except, "I will be there." He said he would be there, and the comrade was sitting on the front seat, and when I was introduced he looked up at me and I think he said, "Oh, my gosh," is that right. I thought you might remember.

Comrade OSBORN. Yes, sir; I remember that incident very well.

Dr. BARRETT. I thought about it yesterday when I saw you introduced, and I am happy to meet you again. That is one of the things for which I came this morning, for I had seen him last night. I wanted to come and shake this comrade's hand from Missouri.

Now I will not take more of your time. God bless every one of you, and may God keep you in the hollow of His hand, and may this day be an important day in your life. I thank you for this moment that I have had and the privilege to come here and talk to you because I talk to a lot of people and I talk about the Grand Army of the Republic. Thank you.

Secretary FLOOD. Resolution on the death of Past Commander in Chief A. T. Anderson. There is one member of that committee here, Comrade T. A. Penland, and I offer the resolution for him.

(The resolution will be found at p. 167 of this journal.)

Past Commander in Chief ROWND. I move the adoption of the report of the committee. [Seconded by Comrade Stormes.]

Secretary FLOOD. The motion is that the report of the committee be accepted. All those in favor? Those opposed? Declared adopted by the commander in chief.

We now have the resolutions on the death of Past Commander in Chief George A. Gay, and Comrade William H. Osborn is the only member of the committee here, and for him I present the resolutions.

(The memorial will be found at p. 168 of this journal.)

Secretary FLOOD. What is your pleasure?

Comrade GALE. I move the adoption of the report as submitted by the committee; that these resolutions be adopted. [Seconded by Comrade Stormes.]

Secretary FLOOD. The motion is that these resolutions be adopted. All those in favor? Those opposed? Declared adopted by the commander in chief.

Greetings committee from the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Mrs. EDWINA P. TRIGG (past national president). National commander in chief of the Grand Army of the Republic and his comrades, I am Edwina P. Trigg and I come from the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic to bring greetings from our organization and to say that your wishes are ours in everything that we do. We have had your best interests at heart a long, long time. Being a daughter of a Union veteran and having started to do this for the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic for your organization, I have continued and hope I will until I leave this world.

I am interested in our commander in chief and I come as a representative from the national president, and she wants me to present

to you, Commander in Chief, a little gift as her love gift to you. That comes from Sister Rash.

We thought we would get to you yesterday but we had our election of officers. I am wishing you well and Godspeed wherever you go.

This is May Masecar, national patriotic instructor of our organization. She comes from Washington and Alaska, the home of your Comrade Gale.

Mrs. MASECAR. Comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, I bring you the loving greetings of the national body of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic and of the Department of Washington and Alaska, also Oregon. I see you have our Oregon comrade here also. I wish for you a very harmonious and successful session, and I hope you live to attend many, many more national conventions, and I wish you well. I am happy to be here today to greet you.

And to Comrade Gale, my own commander, I bring loving greetings from the whole State of Washington.

Secretary FLOOD. The commander in chief wants Comrade Gale to respond to these greetings.

Comrade GALE. Commander and comrades, I think I can talk loud enough so that you will all hear me. I am glad that you had an opportunity to listen to the words of one of our grandest workers in the Department of Washington and Alaska.

I might say in this connection that we have never had an encampment or a commander, and I know that our auxiliaries there would be very much pleased.

I will ask Mrs. Masecar to say to her group that we appreciate very much the loving kindness they show to us in coming up here and bringing us their greetings, and say to them that we in return extend our best wishes and our love to them. I thank you.

Mrs. MASECAR. Thank you, Commander Gale. I do wish you success.

Mrs. TRIGG. Comrade Osborn is here from my own State. I come from Missouri. I was elected in 1938. Comrade Rownd is my commander in chief. We served a year together and we were so happy. I didn't see him when I came in. I wish you well, Comrade. [The committee retired.]

Secretary FLOOD. Comander in Chief, you may think that because you left Indiana that you had gotten out of sight of the home folks, but they have come in here this morning to tell you differently. The presiding officers will come to the platform. We have here the department president of the relief corps, the department president of the Ladies of the Grand Army, the department president of the Daughters of Veterans, the department commander of the Sons of Veterans, and the department president of the Auxiliary to the Sons of Veterans in Indiana. They are here to tell you how much Indiana doesn't like you.

Mrs. GERTRUDE McLEAN (department president, Indiana Woman's Relief Corps). Our Commander in Chief Isaac W. Sharp, this is a very happy privilege for each one of us. As Miss Flood said, even if you left our Hoosier State you did not leave your friends. It is my very happy privilege this morning to present to you in behalf of the five allied organizations of the Department of Indiana this gift, and we want you to take the contents and purchase for yourself an easy chair so that you may enjoy your remaining years in comfort. There is \$50 there, \$10 from each one of your allied organizations in Indiana.

Comander in Chief SHARP. The words "Thank you" don't express it. Feelings don't mean anything until transferred from person to person. I was born and grew up and enlisted in this State and served from this State in the Army and taught school here for 19 years afterward, and then went over to Indiana to teach them something, and finished up my 42 years over there. I am happy to know that I have friends left here. I am the last one of the First Ohio Cavalry. I am an Ohio man out of the State. You are proud to have your own native——

Secretary FLOOD. These are Indiana, not Ohio.

Commander in Chief SHARP. All of them? Well, you are proud to have me from Indiana when I belong here. So I don't know where I belong, but I am here.

My spirit is just as strong as it was in younger days, but my flesh has worn out. I am unable to walk, unable to travel and to do what should be done in this office, but I am proud at being permitted to carry it through. I believe that is all I am able to say now.

Mrs. ETHEL WRIGHTMAN (department president, Indiana Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic). I wish to extend greetings from the Ladies of the Grand Army from the State of Indiana, not only to our own Commander in Chief, Isaac W. Sharp, to whom we have given this gift, but to each and every one of you comrades we want to give our love and greetings. We are so happy to have this privilege of being here this morning and tell each and every one of you, God bless you all.

FRANCES BUFFERT (department president, Indiana Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War). Comrades of my father, I extend greetings from the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War. My father lived until September 30, 1938, so you know what I really had in my life. The inspiration that my father gave me and the love that he had for all the allied orders was something that I can never forget. So I extend greetings from the Indiana Department Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War to each and every one, and may God bless you and give you a safe journey home.

Mr. FRANK L. RICHART (past department commander, Indiana Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War). Comrade Sharp, I am pinch hitting for Comrade Horn, and I want to say to you that he has conferred the highest possible honor upon me by letting me come over here to this group of the most valiant army that ever lived. It is indeed a great moment of my life. We don't intimate that you do not have an easy chair, but we would like for you to sit in our chair and feel like we were holding you in our arms. God bless you.

Mrs. HENRIETTA SCHMADEL (department president, Indiana Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans). Commander Sharp, I am representing the Auxiliary to the Sons of Veterans. They have already told you how we love you, and you know we all do love you. We are happy to be here today to pay this little honor to you. Thank you, and God bless you.

Secretary FLOOD. I think you all know that the commander in chief feels too deeply, almost, for words. He has had a hard week and the greetings from the home folks, coming at the last, rather upsets him. The comrades would like you to have a piece of their candy on the way out.

Commander in Chief SHARP. I want to say a kind word to the Indiana associations. We met at Indianapolis, you remember, and all of you presented me a flag for the headquarters, and I gave it to her for the headquarters, and she returned it to me when the headquarters was about to close. I thank you, and thank you for coming.

Secretary FLOOD. The day I left Warsaw to come here I returned to his home the flag that you gave him in Indianapolis, so it will be there by his easy chair.

(The delegation retired.)

Now, comrades, your adjutant general, who has been through a trying year with family loss and sorrow and ill health, has sent his greetings to you, and the California comrades also, through Mrs. Lillian Gardiner, their department secretary. I think it is perhaps the biggest sorrow of the colonel's life that he is unable to come to the encampment and meet his comrades.

Mrs. GARDINER. Commander in Chief and comrades one and all from everywhere, Colonel Martin asked me especially to give you his greetings. You know, as Katharine just said, Comrade Martin is not a bit well. He is not bedridden, you know. Nevertheless, he never can go out alone. When he goes outside the door he is just lost. So we can only have him just once in a while.

The night before I started here he had a spell with his heart and was not very good, but when I left he was better than he was the night before. He said, "Please remember me to every one of my comrades." And he said, "If I thought I was not going to live another year I would have gone to the convention anyhow, because I wouldn't care if I didn't live another year if I could get out there."

And then all the rest of the comrades wanted me to remember them to you, also. Our department commander some several months ago in stepping out of the bathtub fell on the heater and burned his back and side very badly. It has not healed too good, although he gets around in California. He was afraid to come so far. You know the railroads would bring us East but they would not give us any guaranty that we could get back home very soon, so the comrades were afraid to try it. It really is quite a ways.

They said perhaps they will get a convention sometime in California, so that is the reason we wanted to issue an invitation to you to come to California. So to each and every one I extend the greetings of the Departments of California and Nevada.

Secretary FLOOD. Lillian, the comrades want you to take back to our Adjutant General, Colonel Martin, their greetings and their comradely affection.

Are there any other committees out there?

Now, comrades, there are two more resolutions which Attorney Willett thinks should be adopted by this encampment [reading]:

Moved and seconded that the national encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic continue the suspension of Comrade Orrin N. Pierce as a member of the Grand Army of the Republic and do not restore him to membership at large in the Department of Minnesota until such time as he keeps his promise made to the national encampment in Milwaukee in September 1943, and surrenders the property of George N. Morgan Post No. 4 to the Department of Minnesota.

This is part of the villification that has been going on since 1942; and the attorney feels that this is a necessary thing, should he have to go to court next month, and it looks very much like he would.

That woman who is causing all the trouble still has a power of attorney from that comrade. We are told that he leaves his bed every day for a couple of hours only. No one is allowed to see him. Even she is not allowed to see him now. But she does have the power of attorney and she keeps filing suit after suit in the courts, and it seems necessary for this resolution to be adopted for the protection of the national encampment in any litigation that may come up. Now what is your pleasure?

Past Commander in Chief ROWND. Commander in Chief, I move the adoption of the resolution. [Motion seconded.]

Secretary FLOOD. Motion by Comrade Rownd, and seconded by Comrade Shumate, that the resolution be adopted. All those in favor? Those opposed? It is declared adopted by the commander in chief.

May I say that under our incorporation by act of Congress the Grand Army of the Republic must maintain an office in the city of Washington. For many years that was in the office of Comrade Oldroyd, who owned that Lincoln collection. When he died we were without an office in Washington. The Daughters of Veterans bought a building there in 1934, dedicated in April 1935. The entire front of the building is a Grand Army of the Republic room. It was accepted by the national encampment in Grand Rapids in September 1935 and designated as the official legal headquarters of the Grand Army of the Republic. If you are incorporated by Congress you must have an office and an agent on whom legal papers can be filed if necessary, and so the national encampment designated the custodian of the Daughters' building, who is their national treasurer, to be their legal agent to receive papers and forward them to the commander in chief. So, Mr. Willett says this should be passed [reading]:

Moved that the custodian of the building located at 1326 Eighteenth Street NW., Washington, D. C., where the principal office of this corporation shall be kept and maintained, shall be and is hereby continued by the Grand Army of the Republic, Inc., as the agent and representative of said corporation on whom notice may be lawfully served in any legal suit against said corporation, and that notice thereof be filed with the Clerk of the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia in the city of Washington, D. C.

We do not have a comrade of the Grand Army of the Republic in the District of Columbia. They have all passed on. Therefore we do have to have someone to receive the papers and pass them on to the commander in chief, and since that has been designated as the legal headquarters, Miss Hurd, the national treasurer, is the agent. What is your pleasure?

Comrade GALE. I move its adoption. [Motion seconded.]

Secretary FLOOD. It is moved by Comrade Gale, seconded by Comrade Rownd, that this be adopted. All those in favor? Those opposed? The commander in chief declares it adopted.

Now, comrades, I know of no more business but the selection of the next encampment city, if you would like to do it today, and your election and installation. I have here a telegram from Pasadena, Calif.:

City of Pasadena will, if acceptable, be host to 1946 Grand Army National Convention, September 8 to 13—

they presume to set the date for you—

and furnish assembly headquarters, including auditorium, all badges, printed programs, band opening day parade. Hotel accommodations by reservation.

Of course at your expense.

Chamber association prohibits cash inducement. Comrade George Lockwood buried today with military honors.

Col. GEO. E. LANCE.

Then we have an invitation from Los Angeles. The convention bureau manager signs the invitation. They do not guarantee the expenditure of any money [reading]:

This invitation is a formal expression of a sincere wish on the part of the city of Los Angeles to act as host to the Grand Army of the Republic National Encampment in 1946.

Los Angeles is an ideal convention city, combining the West's most complete facilities with unusual cultural, educational, and recreational advantages such as delegates seldom find in one city. Hollywood, Olvera Street, National Broadcast Studios, Huntington Library and Art Gallery, together with many other outstanding attractions, lend themselves to a varied and interesting convention program.

When your group meets in Los Angeles the convention bureau will cooperate in every way possible. Our services include the following: 1. Standard badges; 2. Registration; 3. Standard programs which contain no advertising; 4. Promotional mailing to key members of the organization; 5. Publicity materials. In addition, an effort is made to assist convention committees with all their problems.

It is our earnest hope that this invitation will be favorably received and that Los Angeles will have the pleasure of entertaining the Grand Army of the Republic in 1946.

Cordially yours,

EARL S. ANDERSON, *Manager.*

And then the invitation is signed by the mayor, the chairman of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors, the president of the chamber of commerce, the chairman of the Women's Convention Committee, the president of the Los Angeles Junior Chamber of Commerce, and the president of the women's auxiliary, Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce.

There are two invitations to come and pay for everything yourselves.

I received this morning a telegram from Indianapolis, where we met in 1942:

Indianapolis again is desirous of entertaining another national encampment. Should our location, facilities, and other advantages be interesting to you we respectfully solicit the opportunity of presenting proposal for next year unless you have other plans in mind.

INDIANAPOLIS COVENTION AND VISITORS BUREAU.

Now, you have nothing with a guaranty. I had heard we were to have an invitation from Grand Rapids, but it has not yet materialized. Indianapolis entertained us in 1942, and they know what they must present to the Grand Army if we go there. But it looks very much to me like you would have to leave this to the executive committee and possibly other invitations may materialize. Many cities are a little bit wary yet in extending invitations because they don't know whether the Army and the Navy are going to be out of their hotels. What is your pleasure?

Past Commander in Chief ROWND. Commander in Chief, I move the secretary be authorized to reply to each of these invitations as an expression of our appreciation for the invitation, and the suspension of any action in the matter and that it be referred to the executive committee of the Grand Army of the Republic. [Seconded by Comrade Shumate.]

Secretary FLOOD. The motion is that the secretary reply to these invitations and thank them for their interest; and the entire matter of the location of the next encampment be referred to the executive committee.

Now, before you vote on that I would like to remind the comrades that at Indianapolis in 1942, of the 45 or more comrades there, an expression was taken of the opinion of all of them as to where the encampment should meet, and they then voted that the encampment for the remainder of the Grand Army existence should be held as near the Middle West as possible, so that no comrade would have to travel from the Atlantic to the Pacific or from the Pacific to the Atlantic. What is your pleasure with this motion?

Comrade STORMES. I would go anywhere, but we haven't any guaranty, and the executive committee can work that out.

Secretary FLOOD. All those in favor? Those opposed? The Commander in Chief declares the motion adopted.

Past Commander in Chief ROWND. That, of course, leaves it in the hands of the executive committee.

Secretary FLOOD. There should be a resolution of thanks passed by this encampment to the local people who have made this encampment a success, and if you authorize me to do so I will secure the data and prepare such a resolution to be inserted in the journal at this point.

(Upon motion the secretary was authorized to prepare the resolution.)

Secretary FLOOD. You are now ready for the election of officers, and I will now proceed to call the roll for nominations for commander in chief. There are 10 departments represented.

Illinois, any nominations for commander in chief? Indiana, any nominations for commander in chief? Iowa, any nominations for commander in chief? Michigan?

Comrade LE VALLEY. I would be in favor of the comrade from New York. I forget the name.

Secretary FLOOD. Comrade Le Valley nominates the comrade from New York.

Past Commander in Chief ROWND. The comrade from New York is not a candidate.

Secretary FLOOD. Comrade Rownd announces that he is not a candidate.

Missouri, any nominations? New York, any nominations? Ohio, any nominations? Oregon? Utah? Washington and Alaska, any nominations.

Past Commander in Chief ROWND. I nominate Comrade Gale, of Washington.

Secretary FLOOD. We are nominating for commander in chief, and there seems to be but one nomination, Comrade H. R. Gale, of Washington and Alaska.

Past Commander in Chief ROWND. Has that nomination been seconded?

Comrade STORMES. I second that.

Past Commander in Chief ROWND. I move. Mr. Commander in Chief, that the rules be suspended and that the Secretary cast the ballot for the comrade from Washington. [Motion seconded.]

Secretary FLOOD. It is moved by Comrade Rownd, and seconded, that the rules be suspended and that the secretary cast the unanimous ballot of the encampment for Comrade Gale, of Washington. Those in favor? Those opposed? [Carried.]

Commander in Chief, I hold in my hand and I cast in behalf of the adjutant general the unanimous ballot of this encampment for Hiram R. Gale, of Washington and Alaska.

Commander in Chief SHARP. I declare him elected as commander for the next year, 1945-46.

Commander-in-Chief-Elect GALE. Now, comrades, I assure you that I appreciate this honor that you have conferred on me, and I shall try to prove to you during my term that I am a friend to every one of you comrades here any time and anywhere, and at all times I will be glad to do anything that I can for any of you, if you want something that I can be of some help to you.

I shall try to conduct the business of the Grand Army. I shall try in my travels to find out where there is an interest, and where there is a lack of interest and the reason why, and devote my time and my work to learning as much as I can of the condition of the Grand Army all over the country and something as to what is for its best interests in the future. Again I thank you.

Secretary FLOOD. Nominations are now in order for senior vice commander in chief.

Past Commander in Chief ROWND. I have the very great honor to present the name of the department commander of Ohio, the State in which I was born.

Secretary FLOOD. Comrade Rownd nominates Department Commander Grate, of Ohio, for senior vice commander in chief. Are there any other nominations? If there are no other nominations do you want to cast the unanimous ballot?

Past Commander in Chief ROWND. I make a motion of that kind if nobody else is interested enough to make the motion. [Motion seconded.]

Secretary FLOOD. Comrade Rownd makes the motion, seconded by Comrade Shumate, that the unanimous ballot of the encampment be cast for Department Commander Grate for senior vice commander in chief. As most of you know, it is customary to give that office to the entertaining department. All those in favor of the motion? Those opposed? It is carried.

In behalf of the adjutant general I cast the unanimous ballot of this encampment for John Grate, of Ohio, for senior vice commander in chief. The commander in chief declares Comrade Grate elected senior vice commander in chief.

Nominations are in order for junior vice commander in chief.

Past Commander in Chief ROWND. May I be permitted to ask a question? What has been the policy of our organization in the absence of anyone being named for junior vice commander in chief?

Secretary FLOOD. They stay until they name somebody. You have your commander in chief from Washington State, your senior vice from Ohio. You should recognize some other section of the country. I heard before I came that Comrade Penland was going to run.

Comrade STORMES. I nominate Penland.

Secretary FLOOD. Wait a minute. I have not finished my remarks. I heard Comrade Penland was going to run, and I heard Comrade

Osborn was going to run. Whether somebody scared them both out or not I don't know.

Past Commander in Chief ROWND. I take very great pleasure, no other name having been presented, of placing the name of Comrade Osborn in nomination.

Secretary FLOOD. There are two nominations, Comrade Osborn, of Missouri, and Comrade Penland, of Oregon.

Comrade STORMS. I withdraw my name.

Secretary FLOOD. Comrade Stormes withdraws his nomination, and that leaves one nominee. Comrade, you are nominated for junior vice.

Comrade OSBORN. I heard it, but I don't want it. I don't accept it.

Past Commander in Chief ROWND. You accept yourself after his withdrawal. There is no man in our delegation I have greater regard for than Comrade Stormes.

Comrade STORMES. No; nothing doing.

Secretary FLOOD. Who named Comrade Penland and then withdrew his name?

Comrade STORMES. I would put it back again, give it to him again. I would not take any office.

Secretary FLOOD. Comrade Stormes again nominates Comrade Penland for junior vice commander in chief. Are there any other nominations?

Past Commander in Chief ROWND. I personally accept it.

Comrade GALE. I move the secretary be authorized to cast the ballot. [Motion seconded.]

Past Commander in Chief ROWND. The renomination of Penland.

Secretary FLOOD. Now, it is a motion for casting the ballot. Comrade Gale moves the secretary cast the unanimous ballot for Comrade Theodore Penland for junior vice commander in chief. In behalf of the adjutant general I cast the unanimous ballot of this encampment for Theodore Penland for junior vice commander in chief.

Commander in Chief SHARP. I declare him elected.

Secretary FLOOD. The commander in chief declares Comrade Penland elected junior vice commander in chief.

Your next nomination is chaplain. Comrade Rownd is at present filling the office.

Comrade STORMES. I nominate Rownd. Keep him where he is. He is a good doctor.

Secretary FLOOD. Comrade Stormes nominates Comrade Robert M. Rownd for chaplain in chief. Are there any other nominations? What is your pleasure?

Comrade GALE. I move the secretary cast the unanimous vote.

[Seconded by Comrade Stormes.]

Secretary FLOOD. In behalf of the adjutant general I cast the unanimous ballot of this encampment for Robert M. Rownd as chaplain in chief.

Commander in Chief SHARP. I declare Comrade Rownd elected chaplain in chief.

Secretary FLOOD. The commander in chief declares Robert M. Rownd elected chaplain in chief. That completes your election, your four officers.

Past Commander in Chief ROWND. Commander in Chief and comrades, this unanimous election gives me the appropriate opportunity to say to every one of you from the bottom of my heart that I appre-

ciate this confidence, and to give you further assurance that I am interested in the welfare of every one of you, and I will continue to pray for each one of you as long as you live or I live. God bless you all, and let us direct our hearts toward the Land of the Eternal Morning.

Secretary FLOOD. The commander in chief wants to say something. He wants to know if he has a right to make a nomination for secretary. That is for you to decide.

Comrade STORMES. Sure.

Past Commander in Chief ROWND. And that gives me the opportunity to present the name of Katharine R. A. Flood, one of the most efficient secretaries that I have ever known, and to say further that in the event of any new person having been selected for that office by the new commander in chief or any other to follow, he would be very much handicapped in assuming the office because no other organization has ever had such a secretary. That is from the heart.

Secretary FLOOD. I am rather on the spot. Am I supposed to put that motion myself?

Past Commander in Chief ROWND. Yes; you put that motion. If you don't, I will.

Comrade GALE. You stay in anyhow.

Commander in Chief SHARP. If I can stand up long enough, I will make the motion that we make Katharine Flood secretary for the following year. All in favor of electing her as secretary say "aye." All opposed? I declare her elected.

Secretary FLOOD. Now, comrades, do you have any further business before your installation? Comrade Gale, whom do you choose for your installing officer?

Comrade GALE. I think that I would suggest the past national commander, Comrade Rownd.

Secretary FLOOD. Comrade Gale would like you to install the officers.

(The following officers were then duly installed by Past Commander in Chief Rownd:)

Commander in chief: Hiram R. Gale, Seattle, Wash.

Senior vice commander in chief: John Grate, Atwater, Ohio.

Junior vice commander in chief: Theodore A. Penland, Portland, Oreg.

Chaplain in chief: Robert M. Rownd, Ripley, N. Y.

Secretary FLOOD. Before you adjourn you must set the hour for the new council meeting. That is the council which makes the budget for next year. To that we invite the presiding officer of each of the orders and her immediate predecessor, so we have to give them time to come and give them notice, and I would suggest 1 o'clock as the hour for that meeting.

Commander in Chief GALE. That is fine.

Secretary FLOOD. You will come back here at 1 o'clock for that council meeting. Do you want to declare the encampment closed sine die?

Past Commander in Chief SHARP. I declare the seventy-ninth national encampment closed sine die. (11:01 a. m.)

REPORTS OF OFFICERS AND OF COMMITTEES



JOHN M. GUDGEL
SENIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF



HIRAM R. GALE
JUNIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF

REPORT OF SENIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF

SHENANDOAH, IOWA, *July 29, 1945.*

RUSSELL C. MARTIN,

Adjutant General, Grand Army of the Republic.

MY DEAR COMRADE: At the close of the year it is my duty to submit a brief report. I want to express my appreciation of the honor bestowed upon me by my comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic in electing me at the encampment last September in Des Moines, Iowa. I have received many courtesies and cards in honor of my position, for which I want to say "Thanks."

My duties have not been many in connection with my office, but I have been ready to do anything my commander in chief should ask of me. I have taken care of my work as commander of our department GAR and attended our encampment in Des Moines in June. I rode in the V-day parade in our little city and have participated in all activities as far as able.

Again I express my appreciation by saying to you all, "Thanks so much."

Respectfully submitted in fraternity, charity, and loyalty.

JOHN M. GUDGEL,
Senior Vice Commander in Chief.

REPORT OF JUNIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF

SEATTLE, WASH., *July 26, 1945.*

RUSSELL C. MARTIN,

Adjutant General, Grand Army of the Republic.

MY DEAR COMRADE: Following is my report for my present term of office as junior vice commander in chief:

My patriotic work has been confined entirely to the Puget Sound district. In this district and in the State of Washington, the activities of our Auxiliary and allied orders have been most satisfactory and I commend them highly for their loyal, conscientious work.

During the past year I attended many patriotic, civic, and social functions, at most of them as guest of honor, and am always invited to speak, and I always respond, sometimes briefly and sometimes at length, and mainly on current public matters of interest.

Among the more important occasions attended by me and at which I spoke are the following:

First meeting, after organization, of Veterans of World War II, April 8, 1945, at Seattle.

International relations department of the National Federation of Business and Professional Women's Clubs, Josephine Schain, its president, presiding, May 12, in Seattle.

Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, reception to outgoing president, Frances Fellows, Department of Washington; Past National President Frances Haskell present; May 25, in Seattle.

War loan and shipbuilding rally, May 26, in Seattle.

Memorial services, May 27, in Seattle.

Memorial Day program, of which I was chairman, and Rhoda Denny Moss, past national president, Woman's Relief Corps, was secretary, May 30, in Seattle.

Annual convention of junior clubs, Woman's Relief Corps, Zellah E. Lindgren, director, presiding, June 2, in Seattle.

Woman's Relief Corps convention, Department of Washington, Estella Temple, outgoing president; Tillie Oken, incoming president; Rhoda Denny Moss, past national president, was also in attendance; June 5, at Seattle, Wash.

GAR encampment, at which I was the only member of the Grand Army present; June 5, at Seattle.

Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic convention, Department of Washington; Eunice Rash, national president, present, also Frances Haskell, past national president; Frances Fellows, outgoing president; Nettie Bissell, incoming president; June 12, 13, and 14, Tacoma, Wash.

Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War convention, Department of Washington; Mary Manning, past national president, was

in attendance; Daisy Girard, outgoing president; Evelyn Bradford, incoming president; June 14, Seattle.

Independence Day celebration under the auspices of American Legion Post No. 1, Seattle; Admiral Mitscher and Captain Seitz, of the U. S. S. *Bunker Hill*, present.

I wish all my comrades good health and good fortune, being blessed myself in this respect and being still active in business—7 hours each day—when not engaged in patriotic duties.

Sincerely yours in fraternity, charity, and loyalty,

HIRAM R. GALE,
Junior Vice Commander in Chief.

REPORT OF CHAPLAIN IN CHIEF

RIPLEY, N. Y., July 27, 1945.

RUSSELL C. MARTIN,

Adjutant General, Grand Army of the Republic.

MY DEAR COMRADE: May I express appreciation for the appropriate opportunity as acting chaplain in chief to present my report of the Sunday morning memorial meeting held at the Central High School auditorium, in which a large number of people of vision, sympathy, and patriotism met to unite with the ministers of the five churches of the village, together with the American Legion, whose active participation in the sacred services were in the spirit of Christian brotherhood and comradeship. The services were beautiful, helpful, and appreciated. The message of the hour was delivered by Rev. Edwin Togowski, of the Catholic Church, whose thought and language, together with his stirring utterances of patriotism and peace, were fitting and impressive.

May 30, Memorial Day, was bright and many of the townsfolk were attracted to the East Ripley Cemetery at 10 a. m., under the leadership of the American Legion. At 12 noon the ladies of the Auxiliaries served a bounteous lunch, marked by liberality and goodwill. Soon thereafter the parade began to move for the Southeast Cemetery, where appropriate services were held in harmony and loving devotion to the sentiments advocated by Gen. John A. Logan's General Orders No. 11, and approved by the Grand Army of the Republic. The attitude of the community at each of the three gatherings was impressive and inspiring and created unforgettable memories. I wished for your presence, that you could get the thought of the Legion as they thoughtfully and tenderly placed the flowers in loving memory upon the graves of beloved comrades.

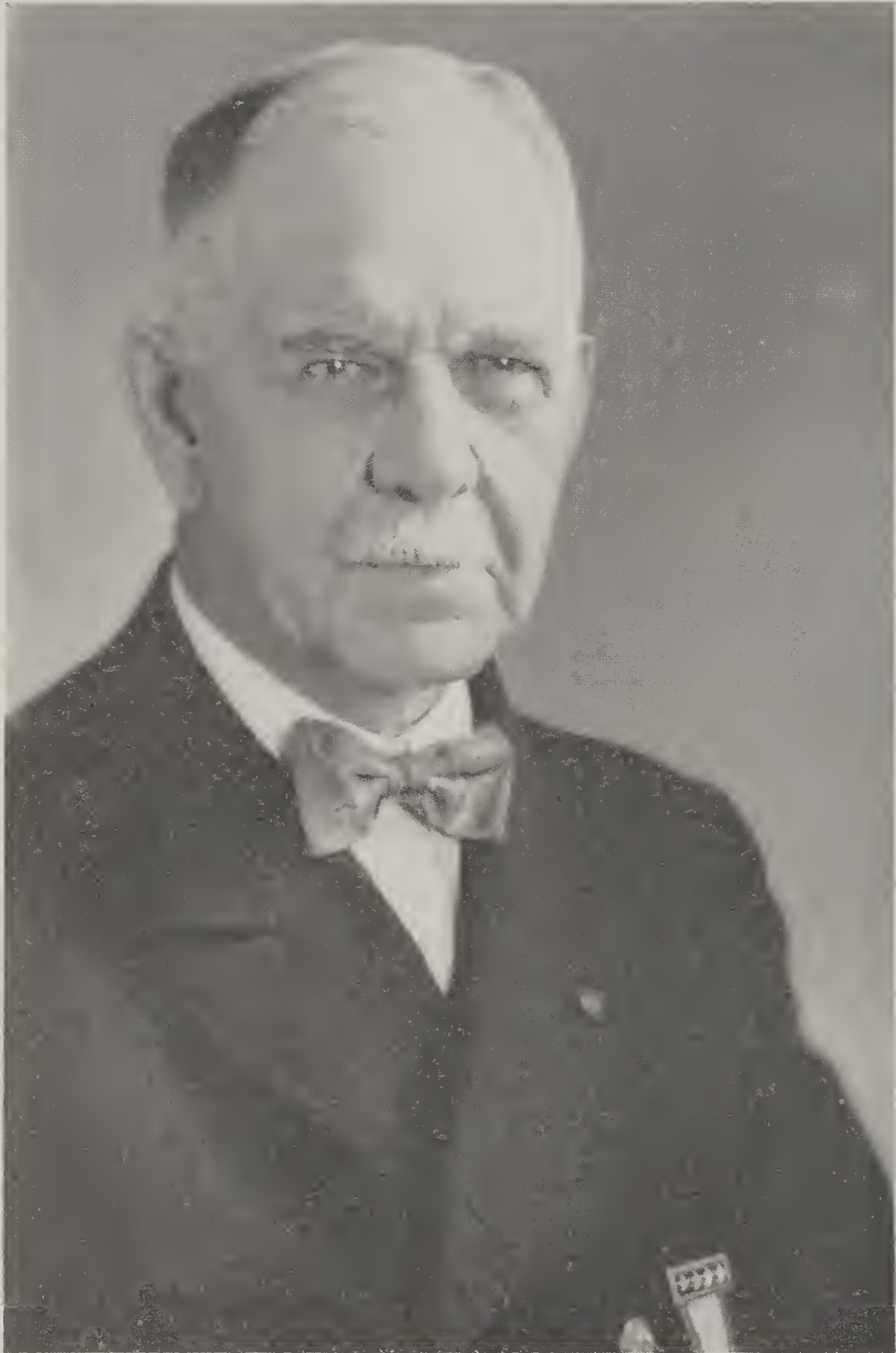
I regret that the committee at Jamestown had selected the same hours as Ripley for their program, which prevented my active participation and acceptance of invitation. It was my pleasure to get in touch with the Auxiliary and affiliated organizations.

Sincerely in fraternity, charity, and loyalty.

ROBERT M. ROWND,
Acting Chaplain in Chief.



ROBERT M. ROWND
CHAPLAIN IN CHIEF



RUSSELL C. MARTIN
ADJUTANT GENERAL

REPORT OF ADJUTANT GENERAL

LOS ANGELES, CALIF., *August 1, 1945.*

ISAAC W. SHARP,

Commander in Chief, Grand Army of the Republic.

MY DEAR COMMANDER IN CHIEF: Another year has passed and we are still without information as to whether we will be allowed to meet in national encampment this year. The past year has been a difficult one for me, due particularly to the loss of my son. I am most grateful to my comrades and the members of the Auxiliary and allied organizations for the letters of love and sympathy which came to me in my sorrow. My health this summer has been better than for a long time, but it is not deemed wise for me to attempt to attend the national encampment, should it be held.

It is now 80 years since the close of the Civil War and the average age of our members is about 98, but many of our posts still hold meetings and department encampments, with not quite as much enthusiasm as in former years but still showing ability to carry on.

Following is a summary of the gains and losses during the year ending December 31, 1944:

	Members	Posts
In good standing Dec. 31, 1943.....	249	124
Gains by muster, transfer and reinstatement.....	8	1
Total gains.....	257	125
Loss by death.....	91	
Loss by all other causes.....	3	
Total losses.....	94	52
Total in good standing Dec. 31, 1944.....	163	73

In years past our losses from all causes other than death have been larger than they should be, but this year that loss is but 3, while our loss by death this year is 91. California and Nevada, our largest department, reports 26 members and we have 4 departments that have 1 member each, and in each case that one member is the only veteran of the Civil War living in that particular State. With the passing of Comrades Dyke, of Florida, and Amadon, of New Hampshire, these departments were closed. We now have 25 departments still carrying on the work.

I include in this report the consolidated report of posts and membership of the Grand Army of the Republic for the year ending December 31, 1944.



JOHN C. ADAMS
QUARTERMASTER GENERAL

REPORT OF QUARTERMASTER GENERAL

JONESBORO, IND., *August 27, 1945.*

RUSSELL C. MARTIN,

Adjutant General, Grand Army of the Republic.

MY DEAR COMRADE: Sincerely appreciative of the honor which came to me and to the Department of Indiana when our commander in chief, Isaac W. Sharp, appointed me as quartermaster general, I wish to submit the following report of the business transacted for the term ending August 10, 1945.

Inasmuch as my residence is in one town, and my office in another, my secretary, Mrs. Irene Compton, has managed the work of the office; she has kept the books and accounts and has shipped supplies when ordered. I am very grateful and truly relieved to have had her care for this work in her efficient and willing manner.

Again expressing my appreciation of this honor conferred on me, I am,

Cordially yours in fraternity, charity, and loyalty.

JOHN C. ADAMS,
Quartermaster General.

SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT

Transcript of books, Aug. 12 to Sept. 18, 1944

Cash balance as reported to the seventy-eighth national encampment-----		\$909. 55
Credited:		
General fund-----	\$890. 41	-
Southern memorial-----	19. 14	
Subsequent receipts:		
Woman's Relief Corps-----	1, 000. 00	
Ladies of the GAR-----	1, 000. 00	
Daughters of Union Veterans-----	1, 000. 00	
Daughters of Union Veterans for Southern memorial-----	400. 00	
Sons of Union Veterans-----	500. 00	
Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans-----	500. 00	
Supplies -----	1. 50	
	<hr/>	4, 401. 50
Total-----		<hr/> 5, 311. 05

DISBURSEMENTS

Travel	-----	\$330. 41	
Expense	-----	602, 26	
		<hr/>	\$932. 67
Cash balance	-----		4, 378. 38
To be credited as follows:			
General fund	-----	\$3, 959. 24	
Southern memorial	-----	419. 14	
		<hr/>	
Total	-----		4, 378. 38

Statement of disbursements, Aug. 12, 1944, to Sept. 18, 1944

Date	No.	To whom paid and for what purpose	Travel	Expense
Aug. 14	66	Cora E. Gillis: Services as stenographer-----	---	\$129. 00
Aug. 23	67	Campbell Printing Co.: 10 packages General Orders No. 4, \$46.80; postage and mailing, \$3.40-----	---	50. 20
Aug. 24	68	Katharine R. A. Flood, national secretary: Advance travel expense to Des Moines-----	\$150. 00	---
Sept. 14	69	Office expense, repairs to trunk, postage and telephone-----	---	28. 30
Sept. 14	70	New England Telephone Service: July 20 to Aug. 20, and tax, \$4.89; telegrams and long-distance calls and tax, \$22.88-----	---	27. 77
Sept. 14	71	Underwood Elliott Fisher Co.: Repairs and ribbon for typewriter-----	---	3. 10
Sept. 14	72	Campbell Printing Co.: 250 official reports-----	---	130. 00
Sept. 14		Katharine R. A. Flood, national secretary: Railroad and expense returning from Des Moines via Washington, Pa., to attend funeral of Past Commander in Chief Anderson-----	150. 00	---
Sept. 14	73	Office expense; Joe Wigon, \$10.84; supplies in Des Moines, \$2.10; postage and telegrams, \$4.17-----	---	17. 11
Sept. 14	74	William H. Ferguson, quartermaster general: Expense attending national encampment-----	30. 41	---
Sept. 14	75	Fort Des Moines Hotel: Express, telegrams, tips, all small charges left by officers-----	---	88. 85
Sept. 14		New England Telephone Co., Portland, Maine: Service, Aug. 20 to Sept. 20, and tax; long-distance calls and tax-----	---	7. 93
Sept. 14	76	Walt Mabie Print Co., Philadelphia, Pa.: 250 copies encampment roll, 40 pages-----	---	120. 00
		Total-----	330. 41	602. 26

ACCOUNT CURRENT

Cash received for term ending Sept. 17, 1944:

Balances in all funds as shown in supplemental report
dated Sept. 17, 1944:

General fund-----	\$3, 959. 24	
Southern memorial-----	419. 14	
	<hr/>	\$4, 378. 38

Subsequent receipts:

Sale of supplies-----	8. 10	
Per capita tax-----	163. 00	
Donation from Women's Relief Corps for southern memorial-----	500. 00	
Transfer from permanent fund-----	1, 000. 00	
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Total-----		<hr/> 6, 049. 48
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CREDIT

Cash paid out for term ending Aug. 10, 1945:

Supplies-----	\$62. 15	
Travel-----	510. 00	
Salaries-----	2, 000. 00	
Expenses-----	2, 146. 00	
Southern memorial-----	750. 00	
	<hr/>	5, 468. 15

Total in all funds Aug. 10, 1945-----		581. 33
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To be credited as follows:

General fund-----	\$412. 19	
Southern memorial fund-----	169. 14	
	<hr/>	581. 33

Statement of total receipts, sales of supplies, per capita tax, southern memorial fund, etc., for term ending Aug. 10, 1945

Departments	Supplies	Per capita tax	General fund	Southern Memorial
California and Nevada		26		
Colorado and Wyoming	1. 00	5		
Connecticut		2		
Delaware	. 80	1		
Florida		1		
Idaho		1		
Illinois	. 65	12		
Indiana	3. 60	8		
Iowa		13		
Kansas		5		
Kentucky		3		
Maine		6		
Massachusetts		2		
Michigan		12		
Minnesota	2. 05	6		
Missouri		5		
Nebraska		4		
New Hampshire		1		
New Jersey		2		
New York		6		
Ohio		12		
Oklahoma		10		
Oregon		1		
Pennsylvania		3		
Utah		1		
Washington and Alaska		8		
Wisconsin		7		
From permanent fund			1, 000	
National Woman's Relief Corps				500
Total	8. 10	163	1, 000	500

Statement of disbursements for term ending Aug. 10, 1945

Date	No.	To whom paid and for what purpose	Travel	Salaries	Expense	Southern memorial
1944						
Sept. 16	1	Isaac W. Sharp, commander in chief: Advance travel appropriation-----	\$100			
16	2	Collector of internal revenue: Tax withheld on salary of National Secretary Flood, Sept. 11-30, 1944-----		\$13.06		
15	3	Katharine R. A. Flood, national secretary: Salary to Sept. 10, 1944, \$100, less withholding tax, \$13.06-----		86.94		
		Extra expense-----			\$33.33	
23	4	Katharine R. A. Flood, national secretary: Editing Journal of National Encampment-----			100.00	
25	5	William P. Haley, Portland, Maine: Trucking boxes, and services of 4 men packing books and records, \$50; tax, \$1.50-----			51.50	
25	6	Boston & Maine R. R.: Freight charges on 18 crates, 1 carton, 1 trunk, and tax, to Warsaw, Ind-----			46.07	
25	7	Underwood Elliott Fisher Co., New York, N. Y.: Shipping typewriter to Des Moines, \$3.50; express to Des Moines, \$3.37; adjustments and tax-----			9.38	
25	8	Katharine R. A. Flood, national secretary: Closing expense in Portland and trip to Togus, Maine, \$53.90; expense Portland, Maine, to Warsaw, Ind., via Washington, D. C., on legislation \$125-----			178.90	
Oct. 17	9	Katharine R. A. Flood, national secretary: Salary for October, \$150, less withholding tax, \$19.60-----		130.40		
		Office expense-----			9.15	
		For extra expense-----			50.00	
Nov. 9	10	Dess Powers: Wreath and telegram, funeral of Past Commander in Chief Anderson-----			10.85	
9	11	New England Phone Co., Portland, Maine: Closing account-----			5.32	
10	12	Railway Express Co., Warsaw, Ind.: Express from Des Moines to Warsaw-----			22.26	
14	13	Underwood Elliott Fisher Co., New York, N. Y.: Repairs and express, Portland, Maine, to Warsaw, Ind-----			4.10	
14	14	Gordon L. Elliott, Des Moines, Iowa: Reporting Seventy-eighth National Encampment and furnishing transcripts, \$200; express and postage, \$1.33-----			201.33	
14	15	United Telephone Co., Warsaw, Ind.: Installation and service-----			7.10	

20	16	Katharine R. A. Flood, national secretary: Salary for November, \$150, less withholding tax, \$19.60		130. 40	35. 54
		Office expense			50. 00
20	17	Extra expense			
		Warsaw Printing Co.: 2,000 envelopes, 4 sizes, G. O. No. 1, 500 gummed labels			23. 80
Dec. 7	18	United Telephone Co., Warsaw, Ind.: Service, Dec. 1 to Dec. 30, with tax, \$4.31; toll calls and tax and telegrams, \$3.50			7. 81
7	19	Katharine R. A. Flood, national secretary: Traveling expense to Indianapolis and Columbus; arrangements for national encampment	60		
16	20	Russell C. Martin, adjutant general: Salary for first quarter		25. 00	
16	21	Leah M. Simpson, department secretary, Michigan GAR: Keeping books for quartermaster general and shipping supplies, \$25; office expense for 3 months, \$5; flowers for funeral of Quartermaster General Ferguson, \$10		25. 00	15. 00
16	22	Katharine R. A. Flood, national secretary: Salary for December, \$150, less withholding tax, \$19.60		130. 40	24. 83
		Office expense			50. 00
		Extra expense			
1945	23	Underwood Elliott Fisher Co.: Repairing office typewriter			9. 52
Jan. 8	24	Dwight G. Smith, florist: Wreath for funeral of Past Commander-in-Chief Gay			10. 00
8	25	United Telephone Co., Warsaw, Ind.: Service, Jan. 1 to Jan. 30, \$4.31; telegrams, with tax, \$12.38			16. 69
10	26	Katharine R. A. Flood, national secretary: Expense of trip to Indianapolis, railroad fare, taxis, hotel, and meals			
20	27	Warsaw Printing Co., Warsaw, Ind.: Office supplies and 300 countersign cards	50		
20	28	Katharine R. A. Flood, national secretary: Salary for January \$150, less withholding tax, \$29.80		120. 20	11. 70
		Office expense			19. 96
		Extra expense			50. 00
25	29	Indiana National Bank, Indianapolis, Ind.: Transfer of funds from Michigan National Bank of Lansing, Mich., to open account in Indianapolis (paper transaction)			
29	30	Collector of internal revenue: Tax withheld on salary of Secretary Flood October, November, and December		58. 80	(2, 500. 00)

Statement of disbursements for term ending Aug. 10, 1945—Continued

Date	No.	To whom paid and for what purpose	Travel	Salaries	Expense	Southern memorial
1945 Feb. 8	31	United Telephone Co., Warsaw, Ind.: Service, Feb. 1 to Feb. 28, with tax, \$4.31; toll calls and telegrams, with tax, \$3.89			\$8. 20	
20	32	Katharine R. A. Flood, national secretary: Salary for February, less withholding tax, \$13.20 Office expense and postage Extra expense		\$136. 80	10. 77 50. 00 47. 50	
Mar. 12	33	Stewart and Steen, Imperial Engraving Co.: Letterheads and stock				
12	34	United Telephone Co., Warsaw, Ind.: Service, Mar. 1 to Mar. 31, with tax, \$4.31; toll calls and telegrams, with tax, \$4.38			8. 69	
12	35	Katharine R. A. Flood, national secretary: Expense of trip to Chicago for consultation with attorney Willett	\$50			
19	36	J. M. Winters & Sons: Bond for quartermaster general			12. 50	
20	37	Katharine R. A. Flood, national secretary: Salary for March, \$150, less withholding tax, \$21.50 Office expense Extra expense		128. 50	16. 20 50. 00	
24	38	James H. Willett, attorney: Expenses in connection with case of Orrin S. Pierce, Minneapolis, Minn.			129. 40	
24	39	Katharine R. A. Flood, national secretary: Expenses of trip to Washington in connection with meeting of national encampment	175			
Apr. 3	40	Leah M. Simpson, department secretary, Michigan GAR: Expenses of quartermaster general's office in Michigan from national encampment until transfer to Indianapolis, Ind., \$17.43; wreath for funeral of Chaplain in Chief Warner, \$10				
3	41	Canceled			27. 43	
3	42	John C. Adams, quartermaster general: Salary for second quarter, to be paid Department Secretary Compton for keeping books and shipping supplies, \$25; postage, \$2.39				
	43	Warsaw Printing Co., Warsaw, Ind.: Printing 250 No. 10 envelopes (quartermaster general), 250 voucher checks (2 sides), imprinting 500 letterheads, 1 box of copy sheets		25. 00	2. 39 14. 65	

4	44	United Telephone Co., Warsaw, Ind.: Service, Apr. 1 to Apr. 30, with tax, \$4.31; toll calls and telegrams, with tax, \$22.05			26.36	
5	45	Tammy Light, Warsaw, Ind.: Stenographic service, Mar. 3-31			79.00	
5	46	Canceled				
14	47	Katharine R. A. Flood, national secretary: Salary for April, \$150, less withholding tax, \$21.50	128.50			
		Office expense			10.61	
		Extra expense			50.00	
28	48	Collector internal revenue: Tax withheld on salary of Secretary Flood for January, February, and March	64.50			\$750.00
May	7	Zola Miller Donahoe: Appropriation for Memorial Day in the South				
14	49	United Telephone Co., Warsaw, Ind.: Service, May 1 to May 31, with tax, \$4.31; toll calls and telegrams, with tax, \$7.22			11.53	
14	51	Walt Mabie, printer, Philadelphia, Pa.: 700 G. O. No. 2, postage and mailing, \$39.72; 800 G. O. No. 3, postage and mailing, \$21.15			60.87	
15	52	Katharine R. A. Flood, national secretary: Salary for May, \$150, less withholding tax, \$21.50	128.50			
		Extra expense			50.00	
		Office expense			24.45	
15	53	James H. Willett, attorney: Expenses incurred on trip from Tama, Iowa, to Minneapolis, Minn., in re Orrin S. Pierce case			108.54	
June	6	Katharine R. A. Flood, national secretary: Expenses of trip to Columbus, Ohio, in connection with meeting of national encampment		75		
12	55	United Telephone Co., Warsaw, Ind.: Service, June 1 to June 30, with tax, \$4.31; toll calls and telegrams, with tax, \$2.39				
18	56	Katharine R. A. Flood, national secretary: Salary for June, \$150, less withholding tax, \$21.50	128.50		6.70	
		Office expense				
		Extra expense			16.22	
23	57	John C. Adams, quartermaster-general: Salary for third quarter, \$25; paid express on boxes from Lansing, Mich., \$6.53			50.00	
July	5	Russell C. Martin, adjutant-general: Salary for second and third quarters	25.00		6.53	6.53
12	59	United Telephone Co., Warsaw, Ind.: Service, July 1 to July 30, with tax, \$4.31; telegrams, with tax, \$1.80	50.00			
12	60	Collector of internal revenue: Tax withheld on salary of Secretary Flood				
12	61	Leah M. Simpson, department secretary, Michigan GAR: Expense for packing and crating supplies of quartermaster general for shipment from Lansing, Mich., to Indianapolis, Ind., \$9.24; postage, \$.76	64.50		6.11	
						10.00

Statement of disbursements for term ending Aug. 10, 1945—Continued

Date	No.	To whom paid and for what purpose	Travel	Salaries	Expense	Southern memorial
1945 July 12	62	Katharine R. A. Flood, national secretary: Salary for July, \$150, less withholding tax, \$21.50		\$128.50		
		Office expense			\$7.30	
		Extra expense			50.00	
Aug. 8	63	United Telephone Co., Warsaw, Ind.: Service, Aug. 1 to Aug. 31, with tax, \$4.31; toll calls and telegrams, with tax, \$15.09			19.40	
8	64	Anderson Greenhouse, Warsaw, Ind.: Basket of flowers for Griswold funeral			5.00	
8	65	Review Publishing Co., St. Paul, Minn.: Records, <i>Pierce v. Grand Army of the Republic</i> , \$56.70; briefs, <i>Pierce v. Grand Army of the Republic</i> , \$32.			88.70	
8	66	Warsaw Printing Co., Warsaw, Ind.: 500 letterheads printed, \$3.50; office supplies, \$3.15			6.65	
8	67	Russell C. Martin, adjutant general: Salary for balance of term		25.00		
8	68	John C. Adams, quartermaster general: Salary for balance of term, to be paid Department Secretary Compton for keeping books and shipping supplies		25.00		
8	69	Katharine R. A. Flood, national secretary: Salary for August and to September 10, \$200, less withholding tax, \$28.66		171.34		
		Extra expense			66.66	
		Office expense to Sept. 10			15.65	
8	70	Collector of internal revenue: Withholding tax on salary of National Secretary Flood, July and August, \$43; Sept. 1-10, \$7.16		50.16		
		Total	\$510	2,000.00	2,208.15	\$750.00

Inventory of supplies in Quartermaster General's Office, Aug. 10, 1945

Supplies	On hand August 1944	Issued	On hand August 1945
Rules and regulations-----	463	6	457
Amendments to rules and regulations-----	402	6	396
Rituals-----	30	1	29
Officers' cards:			
Senior vice commander-----	91	-----	91
Junior vice commander-----	47	-----	47
Chaplain-----	78	-----	78
Ode cards-----	139	-----	139
Service books-----	152	1	151
Applications for membership-----	418	-----	418
Leave of absence-----	323	-----	323
Transfers: Certificates, 518; cards, 884-----	1, 402	-----	1, 402
Discharge cards-----	650	-----	650
Charters: Department, 114; post, 133-----	247	-----	247
Descriptive books-----	37	-----	37
Blue books: 1895, 2; 1896, 1; 1902, 5-----	8	-----	8
Comrade-at-large certificates-----	509	-----	509
Electrotypes-----	9	-----	9
Lapel buttons-----	701	3	698
Badges-----	344	3	341
Rank straps-----	565	-----	565
Form C (report of assistant adjutant general)-----	642	-----	642
Form I (requisition for supplies)-----	5	-----	5
Forms A and B (reports of adjutant and quarter- master)-----	440	-----	440
Report of post chaplain-----	119	-----	119
Report of department chaplain-----	133	-----	133

REPORT OF NATIONAL PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTOR

PORTLAND, OREG., *July 25, 1945.*

RUSSELL C. MARTIN,

Adjutant General, Grand Army of the Republic.

MY DEAR COMRADE: I felt deeply honored when Commander in Chief Sharp appointed me national patriotic instructor. At this late date in our history there is very little for that officer to do, since the loyal members of our Auxiliary and allied organizations take care of the patriotic work so splendidly.

During the year I have been honored by receptions and dinners, not only by the organizations of the Grand Army family, but by the members of the organizations of veterans of other wars. They have never missed an opportunity to show me respect and honor as the last surviving Civil War veteran in Oregon. For all of these attentions I am most grateful.

I regret that I did not get to California, where I might have greeted you in person, and to you and Secretary Flood I extend my appreciation for past favors.

Sincerely in fraternity, charity, and loyalty,

THEODORE A. PENLAND,
National Patriotic Instructor.



THEODORE A. PENLAND
NATIONAL PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTOR



WILLIAM P. LOCKWOOD
NATIONAL CHIEF OF STAFF

REPORT OF NATIONAL CHIEF OF STAFF

KANKAKEE, ILL., *July 24, 1945.*

RUSSELL C. MARTIN,

Adjutant General, Grand Army of the Republic.

MY DEAR COMRADE: The office of chief of staff has, perhaps, suffered in importance more than any other by the great and natural decline in our membership. Our hearts are all right, but the ability to appear publicly as exemplars of the truly volunteer military contingent in peace-loving America in parades and other civic functions, under the guidance of a resplendent chief of staff, has passed into history.

I am honored to have been selected to serve on your staff, and at all times I hold myself in readiness to do your bidding and to aid and assist when possible in the deliberations of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Yours in fraternity, charity, and loyalty,

WILLIAM PERRY LOCKWOOD,
Chief of Staff.

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
NATIONAL COUNCIL
OF ADMINISTRATION**

**MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
OF THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION,
HELD MONDAY, OCTOBER 1, 1945**

The executive committee of the national council of administration, met pursuant to call, at 11:30 a. m., on Monday, October 1, 1945, in room 1216 of the Deshler-Wallick Hotel. The following members of the committee were present: Commander in Chief Isaac W. Sharp; Senior Vice Commander in Chief John M. Gudgel; Quartermaster General John C. Adams; and Comrade Orlando H. Le Valley.

Commander in Chief SHARP. What is the order of the day?

Secretary FLOOD. The books have not yet been audited. There is only one member of the auditing committee here. Irma Nixon, who always audits the books with them, will meet Comrade Le Valley after the council meeting, and they will audit the books up in my parlor and then they will be ready to report to the encampment. But they will not be ready to report at the council meeting this afternoon. Irene did not come in until last night with the books, and they could not do it last night.

Of your executive committee there is Sharp, Gudgel, Adams, and Le Valley—four out of seven—so that is a quorum. You can put another member on the auditing committee if you want to, but Irma does the work anyway. The committee was Dumser, Barton of Indiana, and Le Valley of Michigan.

The badges have not yet arrived. The express has not come in this morning yet. They left Warsaw last Wednesday and they should be here. It takes about 4 days for express.

That woman that was out at your house at 8 o'clock in the morning wants to come into the council meeting to talk on that tablet, but before that time comes I am going to get in touch with the national headquarters of the Ladies and find out what her standing is. I was told last night she is not acting for them, she is acting on her own initiative. I know that that committee has not been carried in their roster for 3 years, which made me suspicious, and then I talked last night to two of the past national presidents.

Commander in Chief SHARP. What made me suspicious was that when she came to me and showed me the design and then went to the secretary she didn't talk about it.

Secretary FLOOD. She didn't show it to me when she came over to the office; never told me a word about it or that she had talked to you about it. There is something about that that made me suspicious. That paper provides that only one man could set that up, that the contract must be given to a certain man. You are not concerned with anybody getting the contract, and furthermore the national encampment said you could not sign such a thing; that they will not accept such a tablet but the entire tablet.

Now are you going to admit her? You don't have to.

Commander in Chief SHARP. When the others have all turned her down, why should we?

Secretary FLOOD. She was here, but I would like to find out in the meantime what her standing is with that organization. She claims to represent the Ladies. We can find it out before the council meeting, and if she comes over and insists on coming in the Ladies will have their two representatives there to hear what she has got to say. She won't be looking for that.

I have not seen that other woman at all, but she is here. That Minnesota woman is here again this year.

Do you know of any other business to come before the meeting? Do you know of anything to be discussed?

Commander in Chief SHARP. I don't know.

Secretary FLOOD. There is not much at any time for the executive committee to handle, except to receive the report of the auditing committee, and that is not ready. There is really not much this afternoon to come before the council meeting either.

Commander in Chief SHARP. Is the council meeting on this floor?

Secretary FLOOD. Yes; it will be in the next room, in the big room where we have the mike. There will be easy chairs like these, so the men will be comfortable.

I don't know of any business to come up. We have a letter from the President to be read tonight and to be read in the encampment. We have a letter from General Hines thanking you for your kind expressions and regrets at his leaving the Bureau, and expressing his regret that he could not come here to the encampment because he is so busy getting ready to move to Panama as consul there. We had regrets from General Bradley that previous commitments would prevent his attending.

Commander in Chief SHARP. I have two or three telegrams. Here is one.

Secretary FLOOD. Greetings from Mrs. Louise Haider, past national president, out in California.

As to that Washington woman, it is your privilege to decline to admit her. She went out to the commander in chief's home before he had his breakfast and got him to sign a paper in regard to the Logan tablet. She is working without authority of her organization. Two past national presidents came looking for me to find out what had happened.

Commander in Chief SHARP. That woman wants to meet us over here after awhile. Whether we admit her to tell her story——

Secretary FLOOD. If she has no authority from her organization, I don't think you have any right to let her in. You don't admit individuals. She said they could leave the name Ladies of the Grand Army off of it. Her stories don't tie up.

(Further informal discussion.)

Secretary FLOOD. Does anybody have any business to come before the meeting? I don't know of any further business.

Commander in Chief SHARP. Comrades, we have done all the business we can do at present. This is an informal meeting. We will just call it adjourned to 1:30. We will meet in another room over there. (11:55 a. m.)

MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION HELD ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 1, 1945

The national council of administration convened at 1:45 p. m., Monday, October 1, 1945, in room 1212 of the Deshler-Wallick Hotel, Commander in Chief Isaac W. Sharp, presiding.

In addition to the commander in chief the following members of the council were present at the meeting:

Senior Vice Commander in Chief John M. Gudgel.

Junior Vice Commander in Chief Hiram R. Gale.

Chaplain in Chief Robert M. Rownd.

Quartermaster General John C. Adams.

Comrade Orlando Le Valley, of Michigan.

Comrade William H. Osborn, of Missouri.

Comrade Theodore A. Penland, of Oregon.

Comrade HIRAM H. SHUMATE, of Illinois. Comrades, I have a little token here for the commander in chief. It is a token and souvenir of Lincoln's home. It is a very simple thing, but we have given out a great many of them to different people. I did have one for Comrade Rownd, but I have misplaced it. This contains a piece of wood from Lincoln's home, and contains a leaf off the tree at Lincoln's home in Springfield, Ill. I have presented them to a great many different people and they all seem to enjoy them.

When Lincoln lived in Springfield, Ill., on going to Washington in 1860, his desk remained as he left it. It has not been moved or bothered at all, and any of you can see it when you come to Springfield.

Now this contains a leaf and a piece of wood from Lincoln's home, Commander, and I give it to you as a souvenir of Lincoln's home in Springfield.

Commander in Chief SHARP. Thank you.

Comrade SHUMATE. Open it up and see what it is and what it looks like.

Secretary FLOOD. That is a leaf from the oak tree over the tomb, and this I have never seen. That is a medal. Mr. Fay used to put the Lincoln penny in, but this is larger.

Mrs. Smith has to leave to open her convention. She might like to say something to you before she goes.

Mrs. LAURA I. SMITH (national president, Woman's Relief Corps). Mr. Commander in Chief Sharp and all comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, down in the ballroom there are hundreds of your Auxiliary waiting for me to open the convention as the presiding officer. I want to give you my love and the love of the 80,000 women of the Relief Corps who have worked 24 hours a day for a year to honor you. I feel proud to tell you that they have sent their money to the national headquarters. They have raised over \$100,000 for the great war project and it has all been used, and everything we have

done is in the name and to the honor of the Grand Army of the Republic.

And so I bring you their loving greetings and just hope you have the very best encampment that you have ever had. Your blue coat will admit you to the banquet tonight, and I hope every one of you boys will be there. May God bless every one of you and we will meet again.

You have a wonderful commander-in-chief, such a gentleman, so loyal to the principles of this dear Grand Army. I have been very proud to serve as the national president of the Woman's Relief Corps and try in every act not to bring a moment of regret to you, the organization we serve, that we in spirit, word and action prove that we were worthy to be called the Auxiliary to the Grand Army of Republic 63 years ago, and we are still walking by your side. God bless every one of you. Thank you.

Commander in Chief SHARP. Thank you. I hate to see you go, but we have all got our work.

Mrs. SMITH. Every one of you boys come and see me.

Secretary FLOOD. The national president wants every comrade here to be at the banquet tonight in the ballroom at 5:30. Your blue uniform is your admission.

Mrs. ANSCHUTZ was the president last year.

Mrs. ANNA ANSCHUTZ. Commander in Chief, comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic. I am missing my comrade and our comrade of last year, Comrade Jones, and I am wondering if he is well.

Secretary FLOOD. His sight is nearly gone and of course that hampers him in getting about. He does not walk as much as he should because there is not help enough in that hospital to lead him around. But one of the attendants on his off hours takes him out into the grounds for a short time; but it is not enough exercise for him. The nephew in New York pays this attendant for the extra service, but if he could have someone to take him out so many times a day and give him regular exercise he would be much stronger on his feet. But now that the sight is gone he cannot go without help.

Mrs. ANSCHUTZ. Of course, we who served with him last year miss him, but we are glad that he is well. That is all we could wish for, you know, health and happiness.

I am glad that the commander of my own Department of Missouri could be here—only 102 years young.

We are so happy to have all of you, and it is a pleasure to come again and bring our loving greetings.

Our national president has told you about the organization, your Auxiliary, and what we have done this past year. I need not repeat a thing, but just tell you that we love you and we are going to continue working for the Grand Army of the Republic as we have done all these years. God keep and protect each one of you the remainder of your days with us.

Commander in Chief SHARP. Thank you.

Secretary FLOOD. The report of the auditing committee is not ready yet because only one member appeared, and the quartermaster's secretary did not get in until late last night with the books. But immediately after this meeting Miss Irma Nixon, who is the daughter of Past Commander in Chief Nixon and a bank cashier, is going into

conference with Comrade LeValley of that committee and will audit the books with him, as she has for the last 4 years. We are very fortunate to have someone who knows bank methods help our comrades, because it is a lengthy report and it has a lot of figures in it. You know from a couple of years ago, Comrade Osborn, that Miss Nixon is very capable of helping the comrades. So that report will be ready for the encampment at the opening session.

Do you have any other business, Commander?

Commander in Chief SHARP. I don't know of any. Comrades, please excuse me from standing up. I just simply cannot do it, hardly, so I will have to remain seated most of the time.

Secretary FLOOD. You had a lady call on you this morning who wanted to come into this meeting this afternoon. I had been told she did not represent the organization she claims she did, and I have since verified it. That committee is out of existence and she is acting simply as an individual, and, of course, as an individual she is not admitted to this meeting with any project. Isn't that right?

Commander in Chief SHARP. That is right; correct.

Secretary FLOOD. I expected the national president of the Ladies and the past national president to be here in a minute, and they would explain the situation. But I had it direct from them that the lady did not represent the organization. Do any of you comrades have anything to say?

Comrade LeValley. I cannot hear you.

Secretary FLOOD. A lady came to the commander in chief's room with a project she wanted the Grand Army to endorse. She claimed to represent an organization. The officers of the organization say she does not, that they have dropped the project, and therefore as an individual she would not be admitted to this meeting. Do you get that? What do you have to say, Comrade Rownd?

Past Commander in Chief ROWND. Nothing.

Secretary FLOOD. Comrade Penland?

Comrade PENLAND. No; I think not.

Secretary FLOOD. Comrade Gale?

Comrade GALE. I don't think of anything.

Secretary FLOOD. Comrade Osborn, what is on your mind—anything? Do you have something to say to us, Comrade Osborn?

Comrade OSBORN. I don't know that I have anything; No. Nothing special to offer.

Secretary FLOOD. Comrade Adams? Comrade LeValley, do you have anything to say to us? Do you have any message for us? Comrade Gudgel, do you have any message for us, anything you want to say to us?

Comrade GUDGEL. I don't know. I might say a few words.

Secretary FLOOD. All right, say them.

Comrade GUDGEL. What is your name?

Comrade SHUMATE. Shumate, Springfield.

Comrade GUDGEL. As your candidate for election as commander I don't want to do anything against my comrade, but I think I am entitled to it for a year.

Secretary FLOOD. Comrade Gudgel, we are not discussing elections. Not here; no.

Comrade GUDGEL. Oh, we are not? I could not hear. I haven't got anything to say on what you read.

Secretary FLOOD. Let's give those people 10 minutes. There is not much business this year.

Comrade PENLAND. Comrades, I received an invitation some months ago out in Portland, Oreg.—there is where I live—to the launching of a ship. I had a little over a week's time to think over the things that I might say when I got there. So I kept patching things together until I thought I had something that might fit in pretty well, and that is what I would relate to you. It won't take but a little bit, and it is something that will fill in here. [Reading:]

May God speed and guide this ship to victory for America. As you sail the ocean far and wide, may you be a sailing memory dedicated to the voyages of the past and the war of the present day, to both those dead and living.

I only wish that my age and health would permit me to accompany this ship on the high seas, but as that is impossible I am glad to know that the flag that I love and fought for will wave over this ship to victory, the flag that has never known defeat, and with God's guidance it never shall.

Dear flag, wave on and on to victory. The flag of my country, devoutly I love it. I love its stars and its stripes and its square field of blue. The everlasting mountains and the blue sky above it are enshrined in my soul as a part of it too.

When you were a schoolboy did you ever turn and feel that swelling in your heart that should forever and ever remain? Pearl Harbor, yes, Pearl Harbor, like the wars of the past and the war of today, will go down in history never, no never, to be forgotten. Pearl Harbor.

[Applause.]

Comrade Penland then sang *Tenting on the Old Camp Ground*.

Comrade GALE. What about the property of the different departments?

Secretary FLOOD. That is covered in the rules and regulations.

Comrade GALE. It is? Have there been any changes made recently? Now, out in our department there were 127 Grand Army posts, and there were only about 2 turned over to me, the property of 2 posts. Where the other property is I don't know.

Secretary FLOOD. You had a comrade named Crossen, didn't you? I heard from out there that he just told anybody that wanted it to take it. I cannot vouch for that, but that is what we were told. And then he died and there wasn't any way that we could find out anything about it. Is his widow living? He just let the local people keep it. When they sent them in to him he sent them back. I think he became assistant adjutant general after he was commander. And that is where a lot of your Washington State property went.

Comrade GALE. Have you given it any thought and made up your mind what you thought was the best thing?

Secretary FLOOD. Well, I know that the Archives Building in Washington is ready to take anything we give them, in the Veterans' Division of the Archives, and they have everything there in a very splendid condition. They make a microfilm of everything that is turned in—just about that big, and then they have the magnifying frame it is put in to reproduce it life-size when you want to read it. I have been through there. I have been taken through by the World War veteran who has charge of the war records of the Archives. The Veterans' Division will take anything of our records, and it seems to me that is where they belong for safety. But that would have to be discussed in the encampment.

Now we have the national president of the Ladies of the Grand Army, Mrs. Eunice Rash, of Kansas.

Mrs. RASH. My Commander in Chief Comrade Isaac W. Sharp, and comrades of this seventy-ninth national encampment, I am indeed happy and highly honored to come in your presence this afternoon and not only bear you my personal greetings but the greetings of our national body, Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic. I feel that I am indeed treading on holy ground to come into your presence. I want to assure you that the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic want to do only those things which are pleasing to you, and we will forever carry forward the name and the historic service that you have rendered to our Nation and Government in the preservation of the Union.

We are at your service and want to do your bidding. And I am also indeed happy to greet Miss Flood, your secretary, personally and in behalf of our body.

I am also pleased this afternoon to have with me my national junior president and my counselor, Sister Theo Redfern, of Rhode Island, and Sister Ethelyn P. Smith, past national president. She was national president in 1942. Sister Theo, will you have a word?

Mrs. REDFERN. I did my speaking last year, but I want to say that I am of course very happy to bring you greetings again and see so many of you here. It seems so nice to be able to come back or be invited to come back as a member of this committee and see you all. Comrades, our national president has expressed the greetings of our organization, and that means me as well as the rest of them, and I do not think it proper for me to bring you more than my own personal greetings, which I do bring to one and all, with love and good wishes for you.

Mrs. RASH. Ethelyn P. Smith, of Nebraska, when she was president, now of California.

Miss SMITH. I am a long way from home, commander in chief and comrades, but I was happy to make this trip in order to come here and see your faces and greet you as the comrades of my grandfather, who enlisted in the One Hundred and Forty-sixth New York Volunteers. It is such a happy privilege to come here today with greetings from the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic. I thank you, comrades.

Secretary FLOOD. Commander in Chief and comrades, these ladies know all about the matter that the other lady wanted to come in and talk about, and I think they can tell you whether she is an official or committee entitled to come representing their organization, or whether they are a committee, and tell you that she is not.

Mrs. RASH. Comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, when we were called here to Columbus September 4 I learned at that time that Sister Worrell, of Washington, D. C., had secured permission from our commander in chief to place the tablet in Arlington Memorial Cemetery, and previous to coming here I had some communications. But we have not yet as a national body been able to receive Sister Worrell to talk over this matter. I was going to call an advisory council meeting and have her present it to us before making our decision. But we understood that we should come at this time, this was your executive meeting and we should be here, and so we came.

I do want to assure you that we would be happy to place the tablet if we knew that in doing so we had the good will of our Grand

Army of the Republic and our allied orders. Oh, if folks could live in peace and harmony. That is the thing, if we could live in peace and harmony. We only want to present that tablet if it would make our Grand Army happy and promote the good will of our allied family. I just didn't quite understand, Miss Flood. In presenting the tablet we would not want to take away—no, indeed—from the Grand Army of the Republic; we wanted to place the tablet in their memory. I just believe that is all I can say right now.

Past Commander in Chief ROWND. May I be permitted to say a word? I have in my possession a communication addressed to our commander in chief from this lady, who wants to make an explanation. Do you want to hear this communication?

Secretary FLOOD. Why doesn't the commander in chief have it?

Past Commander in Chief ROWND. I will hand it up to him. I will deliver it to him. Commander in chief, there is a communication from Mrs. Worrell which she desires you to read.

Commander in Chief SHARP. I have read it and passed it on.

Secretary FLOOD. We had the one you had this morning.

Past Commander in Chief ROWND. No; I don't think you have it.

Commander in Chief SHARP. It is the same thing.

Past Commander in Chief ROWND. It will do no harm to read it.

Commander in Chief SHARP. Someone read it. I can't see.

Secretary FLOOD. I think I should go back to the beginning of this affair. When Commander in Chief Inman was in Washington he noticed there was no tablet of Logan's order in the Arlington Memorial Amphitheater and he commented on it to the national president of the Woman's Relief Corps. She said:

If the Grand Army wants to place that tablet the Relief Corps will give you the money, and the Grand Army can place it and pay for it.

They found that it had to have a resolution from Congress, and the commander in chief asked that he might have his Congressman introduce the bill—and that is where the mistake was made.

If our judge advocate, Judge McBride, had introduced the bill it would have been worded properly. They thought that if the bill passed Congress that it would provide for the entire wording of the Memorial Day order to be on the tablet, whereas the bill simply provided that a tablet be placed commemorating the writing of the order by John A. Logan, and the Grand Army of the Republic simply would not have it. It provided that the commissioners should accept from the commander in chief of the Grand Army of the Republic this tablet.

The national encampment considered it and three times voted that they would not have anything in there but the entire wording; they would go without anything before they would take the other. The art committee objected to the wording of the Memorial Day order, and the national encampment has kept that sacred.

Mrs. Worrell knew that that was a Grand Army legislative act, that she had nothing to do with it and had no right to interfere with it, and she had been told so before. But she went ahead and in 1942 wrote Commander in Chief Gay and asked him to sign the order allowing this abbreviated tablet to be placed. And she wrote his wife, who was a member of the Ladies, and asked her to get him to sign it. And Mrs. Gay said, "Let's go down to Boston tomorrow and talk to

Katharine and get the record." I got out the journals and showed them the record, and Comrade Gay said, "I cannot agree to it. I cannot sign that and allow any other order to be put in there." And he so wrote the quartermaster's department who had charge of it, and he so wrote a copy to Mrs. Smith, who was president, and he sent a copy to Mrs. Worrell, so she knew about that. And she has since been working, apparently as a member of that committee of the Ladies, but I understand that for the last 3 years that committee has not been carried, and you just heard her say that they had dropped it.

She came into the commander in chief's home 5 weeks ago at a quarter of 8 in the morning, before he had his breakfast, and at the time he signed that paper he thought she was giving the Grand Army something rather than taking from them, and he signed the paper.

She came to the office and she did not tell me what she was in town for and what she had done. I went out to the commander's home and asked him if he signed anything, and he said yes, he had accepted something. And when he showed me the carbon copy I told him the story, and he instructed me to send a telegram to the Art Commission explaining how she had obtained the signature. And he followed it with a letter telling them that he wanted that signature voided, as he had no authority after the action of the national encampment to sign any such agreement. And that is the way the matter stands now.

As I understand, the Commission will not accept it until the commander in chief accepts it, and by action of the national encampment he cannot do it.

If this encampment reneges on their previous action you are going to have hard feelings in the Woman's Relief Corps. Naturally, if the relief corps did that to the Ladies, the Ladies would feel hurt; and I don't think we need any of those ill-feelings in our family. We have been getting along so splendidly all these years.

Past Commander in Chief ROWND. That is a very clear and comprehensive statement of the situation as I understand it. Do we want to take any action at this time?

Secretary FLOOD. That should come in the encampment, not in the council.

Mrs. RASH. I will say in behalf of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic that Mrs. Worrell has not come to me to ask the permission of our order to meet with you. She acts, I might say, she does act on her own. I thought perhaps it would be advisable to have an advisory council meeting tonight, especially called, to have her present this case. But this was coming up in this meeting this afternoon so that is why we came ahead of time. I can say that Mrs. Worrell has not come to you with the permission of our national body to go before the encampment.

Secretary FLOOD. While you are here I would like to know what your stand is on this Temple Heights business; have the Ladies dropped that? The national encampment has refused in the past to endorse it. She had appeared before the committee on resolutions—that memorial building. The Grand Army refused to endorse it because they felt that the time had passed for a memorial to the Grand Army. And possibly you ladies don't know that the bill now in Congress provides that it shall be a memorial to the men of the Union Army

and the men of the Confederate Army. That is how she is getting the backing of the southern Senators and Congressmen.

I said to her in Washington last April at a meeting of the Daughters, "The Ladies have dropped that I am told." She said, "If the Ladies won't carry it on the Daughters will." I said, "Oh, no, they won't. They will do what the Grand Army has done, and the Grand Army has refused to endorse it; and the Daughters never will." So that is the situation on that. I didn't know what your stand was.

Mrs. RASH. Miss Flood, my idea, and I am sure of our order—I feel like I can speak for the order—is that they supported this bill with the sole thought that this memorial was to be in commemoration of the Union veterans of the Civil War, and they have been told something like that. Six weeks ago Mrs. Worrell sent some copies to be circulated by our national body and I was surprised and shocked to find on the reading of these petitions the statement that it was for the veterans of the Civil War. But there was a statement there that it was the only debt that the National Government could never repay to the Union veterans of the Civil War. But there was also that statement as to all veterans. I was shocked to see it turning where it did seem to me to embrace the Confederate veterans as well as the Union veterans, which is entirely wrong, to my conception. So if the bill is going to be that, why I am sure the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic will not support this bill because we want a shrine that is in memory of the Union veterans of the Civil war.

Secretary FLOOD. I first found out how the bill was worded in 1940.

Past Commander in Chief ROWND. In the event you want to pursue this question any further it ought to be referred to an executive meeting.

Secretary FLOOD. If they decide they are not going to do anything with it—I try not to make trouble. I have tried not to interfere with the business of the other organizations, but I do have to protect the Grand Army of the Republic from everybody that comes around and wants their signature for this, that, and everything else.

As I said to her, "Why don't you wait until people get up before you call on them?" But I didn't find out what she called on him for until I went out and asked him if he had signed anything and he said, "Oh, yes, I signed a paper accepting something they are going to give us down in Washington." She knew what she was doing when she came there at that hour. I am glad you came and that you have had this explanation and that the comrades have.

Past Commander in Chief ROWND. As kind of a compromise I simply wanted to suggest, wouldn't it be a good idea that the ladies' organizations recommend the Commander in Chief of our organization to sign the paper representing the different lady organizations?

Secretary FLOOD. No; The Grand Army of the Republic started it. The other orders have nothing to do with it except the Corps, and the Grand Army have decided that they want the whole tablet or nothing. The Art Commission don't like the wording of Logan's Memorial Day order, that it is not worthy of going in there, and the Grand Army doesn't want anything else.

Mrs. RASH. With your permission we would like to be excused. I have a convention on. My senior vice is presiding. If we may, we would like to be excused to get back to our convention. We have enjoyed being with you and bid you come to our sessions if it is at all

possible. That is including Miss Flood. And especially do I want to personally and in behalf of my order extend an invitation to each one of you to come to our Wednesday evening banquet session honoring our fathers and mothers and our Commander in Chief Isaac W. Sharp. May we retire?

Secretary FLOOD. You may. Thank you for coming. We have with us a past national president of the Daughters. The national president is having her convention. Miss Ora Cox.

Miss Cox. Commander in Chief Sharp and members of the Grand Army of the Republic, I am sorry that our national president, Beatrice D. Manning, of your Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War was unable to come at this time. She sent me, and I want to bring you greetings from every member of our organization and pledge to you as usual if there is anything that you want from us that we can do for you, call upon us. We are always ready and willing to do whatever we can for you. I hope that you will be able to come into our convention. You will certainly be most heartily welcomed at any time.

And on Tuesday evening we have our fathers' and Daughters' banquet, and of course we want to see everyone of you there. Somebody will say something to you about it later at different times, but we want all of you there. I am just most happy to come here and be with you. God bless all of you.

Secretary FLOOD. And the commander in chief of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. I understand you changed the pronunciation of your name yesterday and was called Urion, but I think he prefers it Urion.

Commander in Chief URION W. MACKEY, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. Commander in Chief Sharp and comrades, it is, indeed, a great inspiration for me as commander in chief of the Sons of Union Veterans to bring you our greetings this afternoon. We have just opened our convention in the Hotel Fort Hayes at 1 o'clock. We were getting along splendidly in our business and we dropped that and I am over here.

Anything that we can do as Sons, we are more than pleased to do it. It has been a wonderful privilege and an opportunity to work with your commander in chief, Comrade Sharp, and your wonderful secretary, Sister Flood, this year, and I just trust that all of your expectations and all your plans for having a good time in Columbus will be fulfilled, and that wherever we may meet next year we will all be there and have just as good a time after everything is done.

I know at this victory session, as we have called it, after this wonderful war that the boys have just finished up, that we can be very, very proud to be in Columbus celebrating this victory. Again I thank you for the privilege of even being a Son, and I thank you for the privilege of bringing you the greetings of our organization. Thank you.

Secretary FLOOD. Now the national president of the Auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans, Mrs. Edith B. Nile, who was a friend to me here in Columbus 3 weeks ago when I needed one badly.

Mrs. NILE. Thank you, Katharine. Commander in Chief and members of the Grand Army of the Republic, I assure you that I am happy that I can come to you today, being a native of Ohio, and so happy that this convention could be had here with your commander in chief presiding in the State from which he went to the Army.

I don't know that I can say much to you boys. I know you are getting tired. I am happy to see over here a young fellow whom I met in Oregon. I didn't say that right, did I, Commander? It is Oregon. You know, he tells the story, or he asks this question, "What kind of suspenders did Abraham Lincoln wear in the White House?" Of course, I told him what I thought, and he said, "Oh, you don't play fair." So I answered his question, but many more I was not able to answer.

So I just hope that you have a nice time, and anything that the Auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans can do for you, or the State of Ohio, don't fail to call on us.

We are having a banquet Wednesday night in the ballroom of the Chittenden Hotel and we would just love to have each and every one of you there to be our guests, and you also, Sister Flood. And I am sure you don't have to be so grateful to me for the little things I did for you. After all, we are all of us out to do what we may do for one another; and if I did anything, I am only happy that I could do just one little bit for the many things that you had done in the past.

I hope that you will have just one grand convention, and I hope that in the closing days of your life everything will be just lovely for each and every one of you. I thank you.

Commander in Chief SHARP. We are just all children in one great family.

Secretary FLOOD. Do you have any further business, Commander?

Commander in Chief SHARP. Not that I know of.

Secretary FLOOD. Do you want to declare the meeting adjourned subject to call?

Commander in Chief SHARP. Is there anything to call it for?

Secretary FLOOD. You don't want to adjourn sine die. You want to leave it open for a meeting later if you need it.

The encampment will meet at 1:30 Wednesday in this room, and I will have these chairs fixed in a better position.

Past Commander in Chief ROWND. I want to present a motion that we adjourn subject to the call of the commander in chief. [Motion seconded.]

Commander in Chief SHARP. You have heard the motion. All in favor say "aye." We are adjourned. (3:03 p. m.)

**MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE NATIONAL COUNCIL
OF ADMINISTRATION HELD IN ROOM 1212 OF THE
DESHLER-WALLICK HOTEL, COLUMBUS, OHIO, THURS-
DAY, OCTOBER 4, 1945**

The new council of administration met pursuant to the call of the commander in chief in room 1212 of the Deshler-Wallick Hotel, Columbus, Ohio, Thursday, October 4, 1945. The meeting was called to order by the commander in chief at 1:32 p. m. The following members of the council were in attendance:

Commander in Chief Hiram R. Gale, Seattle, Wash.

Senior Vice Commander in Chief John Grate, Atwater, Ohio.

Junior Vice Commander in Chief Theodore A. Penland, Portland, Oreg.

Chaplain in Chief Robert M. Rownd, Ripley, N. Y.

Comrade Orlando LeValley, of Michigan.

Comrade William H. Osborn, of Missouri.

There was also present Miss Katharine R. A. Flood, secretary of the Grand Army of the Republic, and the following representatives of allied orders:

Woman's Relief Corps: Ellenore R. Zeller, national president, Portland, Oreg.; Laura I. Smith, past national president, Providence, R. I.

Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic: Catherine G. Schroeder, national president, Los Angeles, Calif.; Eunice Rash, past national president, Thayer, Kans.

Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War: Emma R. McLaughlin, Elm Grove, W. Va., national president; Beatrice D. Manning, Manchester, Conn., past national president.

Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War: Urien W. Mackey, Grand Rapids, Mich., past commander in chief.

Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War: Gladys B. Sallman, Chicago, Ill., national president; Edith B. Nile, Alliance, Ohio, past national president.

Secretary FLOOD. The commander in chief has asked me to call the meeting to order for him. I think perhaps we would like first to hear from our national presiding officers before we take up the budget, and that won't take long. Since the new president of the corps had to leave, we will hear first from Mrs. Laura I. Smith.

Mrs. SMITH. Sister Flood, members of the Grand Army of the Republic, it is indeed a pleasure to come. My president had to leave. I can pledge anew full-hearted loyalty and allegiance to the Grand Army of the Republic. Our new president, Commander Gale, is from Portland, Oreg., quite a near neighbor of yours, Mrs. Zeller. Of course you are neighbors, and I know the cooperation will be great. But should she have come from the Atlantic coast the cooperation would still be great. I want to pledge to you for the new administra-

tion of the Woman's Relief Corps 100 percent loyalty to the Grand Army of the Republic. No matter what you want—I know it is not right for you to have to ask for it—just give us a hint and you will find us right there doing for you on and on and on.

Secretary FLOOD. We are going to need it.

Commander in Chief GALE. I want you to know that we appreciate that very much.

Secretary FLOOD. The next national president of the Ladies, Mrs. Catherine Schroeder, of Los Angeles.

Mrs. SCHROEDER. Commander Gale, in behalf of the national body, Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, I assure you that I voice the sentiments of my national body 100 percent. Never worry, but at any time during the year that you need us all you do is call for us and we are with you at all times. In behalf of those girls I want to wish you a very happy and prosperous year.

Commander in Chief GALE. Give them my best wishes and say that I appreciate it very much. I am sure that they will never be found wanting.

Secretary FLOOD. Mrs. McLaughlin, the new president of the Daughters.

Mrs. McLAUGHLIN. Commander Gale, I am the newly elected president of the Daughters of Union Veterans. Thirty-one thousand of us pledge our loyal support to the Grand Army. Anything at any time that we can do we will be only glad to do it.

Commander in Chief GALE. You convey my best wishes to the Daughters and say that I am sure that they will always prove true and loyal.

Secretary FLOOD. And now big brother will have to represent his new commander in chief. This is the retiring commander in chief of the Sons. He has been a worthy representative of his order.

Past Commander in Chief MACKAY. Commander in Chief Gale, it is indeed a great pleasure for me to come here this afternoon, and if I have done anything for you the last year I have done it for the greatest men in the world. What I have done in the last year will be more than duplicated by our new commander, who is H. Harding Hale, from Massachusetts. He has been running a series of radio broadcasts for years. I know that anything that he can do for you he will gladly do it. Anything that we Sons as an organization can do will be done willingly. I just hope that you will all get home safely and that we will all be some place next year and that we won't have the trouble in having a convention that we had this year. And I hope that your worthy secretary here will be there next year running around as spry as you men are.

Secretary FLOOD. I do too. I want to tell you a story. When we were located in Ripley and I would start down the street with the commander I would have to say: "Wait a minute, Commander. Wait for the old folks. I can't keep up."

Now Mrs. Gladys Sallman, the new president of the Sons of Veterans Auxiliary, from Chicago.

Mrs. SALLMAN. Comrade Gale, I represent the Auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, and I assure you that you won't have to ask for things this year, because when you need things I will take the word right to my organization. Believe me, we will

do all we can to keep on high those fine principles that you boys fought for.

Commander in Chief GALE. I know that they will be loyal to us and I will be loyal to them.

Secretary FLOOD. Now Mrs. Rash, the retiring president of the Ladies.

Mrs. RASH. I salute you, Commander in Chief. I am just learning. I congratulate you. I didn't know you were our commander in chief. That is certainly fine. I know you are going to have a fine year, Comrade Gale. I am so happy for you and your family. A year ago I came in the presence of the Grand Army of the Republic with fear and trembling, but I came humbly, and I would say that I do have quite a little more courage today. But I still come very humbly when I come in the presence of the Grand Army of the Republic. My only prayer is that I can come worthily.

Secretary FLOOD. We are not worried about that. We know you will.

Mrs. RASH. I want to extend to you my appreciation that I have had this pilgrimage with you this year representing the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic. It has been a blessed one. I have especially enjoyed my associations with the allied family, and with Miss Flood and Commander in Chief Sharp. How is he?

Secretary FLOOD. He is on his way home.

Mrs. RASH. I am sure our experience this year as far as our family is concerned is no different than it has been at other conventions. We have been too busy to see each other and enjoy each other, but we can look forward to next year. I assure you that our Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic through our national president-elect—we have yet to install Sister Catherine—will be back of you in everything and stand by you to assist you and go along with you to see that you have the comforts and the right things through your pilgrimage. I thank you.

Commander in Chief GALE. Thank you for your kind words.

Secretary FLOOD. Now we want to hear from your next-door neighbor, the new president of the Woman's Relief Corps, Ellenore Zeller, of Portland, Oreg.

Mrs. ZELLER. I am just so happy to meet you today and to bring the greetings of the Woman's Relief Corps. You know through all the years we have been organized we have always stood back of the Grand Army, and we still are willing to do that, and we will do it. We pledge to you our allegiance and our unfailing faith in your organization. I am glad you have a few of the Grand Army comrades here yet. We are sorry that there are not more of them, but we are most happy to see you. My own commander is here from Oregon. We are happy to know that he is one of you here and that he is so well, and we are taking him back to Oregon. We just hope that all of you will be able to attend the convention next year. Where is it?

Secretary FLOOD. It is not decided.

Mrs. ZELLER. Please accept our very best wishes from the Woman's Relief Corps, your auxiliary, for all the years of its organization. Thank you.

Commander in Chief GALE. Thank you for your cheering and encouraging words.

Secretary FLOOD. Now we come to Mrs. Beatrice Manning, retiring president of the Daughters.

Mrs. MANNING. Commander Gale, and the rest of them, all I can say is what the national president has told you. The Daughters stand 100 percent back of you.

Commander in Chief GALE. Thank you for all of your kind words. We won't forget you.

Secretary FLOOD. Mrs. Edith Nile, the retiring national president of the Auxiliary, who was a friend indeed to me a month ago when I was so ill here.

Mrs. NILE. You see, Commander in Chief, I am a little younger. I can get up the high steps. All those old ladies had to walk around and come up the bridge. Commander in Chief Gale, I want to congratulate you on your election to the office of commander in chief of the grandest Army of the Republic, and I wish for you everything that is good this year.

To you, comrades, I don't know what I can say to you for electing my department commander as your senior vice commander in chief. He is a grand guy. He comes from my town. I am his officer of the day in John C. Fremont Post, No. 729, Grand Army of the Republic. Right, Comrade Grate? Sure.

Secretary FLOOD. Isn't she giving herself a pat on the back?

Mrs. NILE. I just wish for all of you the nicest things. Did you fly here?

Comrade PENLAND. I did not.

Mrs. NILE. The best of luck to you, and I enjoyed working with Sister Katharine. I am sure the little bit I did for her didn't amount to anything. I was only happy that I could be of help to her. Anything I can do, even though I have a very efficient national president this year—she can just hop-skip around like nobody's business—if she just don't do the job, you just call on me and we will take care of her.

Commander in Chief GALE. Thank you very much.

Mrs. SCHROEDER. May I say something? I just want to tell our official family here that Sister Eunice Rash, our retiring president here, was about one of the sweetest women I have seen in many a year as a presiding officer—so fair, so conscientious, and gave every one their just dues. And you know, Katharine, we love you for all of your kindness in your work. Thank you.

Secretary FLOOD. Before we start on the budget I would like to read a paragraph from the commander in chief's report on finances:

At the beginning of the year, by the generous gifts of our auxiliary and allied orders, with the balance remaining in our checking account of the permanent fund, we were assured of sufficient funds to carry us through the year. This administration will of necessity have to carry the expenses of 13 months instead of 12, but our secretary assures me there will be sufficient funds to pay the closing expenses on October 5. There will be little left for my successor, however, and I commend him to the tender mercies of our auxiliary and allied orders, on whom I know he can depend. They have never let us down and I know they never will.

Last year we had a budget of \$6,500. We haven't spent it. By the time we will have closed this administration and paid the closing bills we probably will have paid about fifty-four or fifty-five hundred dollars on that budget.

Our expenses have been considerably increased because of the uncertainty and the extra expense connected with the ODT. I don't like

to say what I think. I might get carried away. It meant to every one of our national council when we were trying to find a way to hold a meeting and to hold an election, it meant an air mail letter with a stamped air mail in reply. There was no time for regular mail. It meant long-distance telephones and it meant telegrams, one to every Department and one to every officer. I just haven't got that telegraph bill, and I am holding my breath. I expect it here tomorrow morning. And what the telephone bill will be with the long-distance telephone calls here, I don't know. But it was necessary.

Of course we had the trip to Washington, and I am going to be unkind enough to remind you that that trip really was for you. The Grand Army could have held their encampment, but the allies could not. The commander in chief felt that I should go to Washington and try to obtain permission for the allies to meet. As I told Garrett Johnson, to ask these men to meet alone after all these years was like asking them to attend their own funeral while they were still alive. But I could not make him see it.

But anyway it has all turned out all right. It cost us money that we had not counted on, but we still kept a thousand dollars under our budget. But I am giving you the sad news that we are starting almost from scratch, with the \$4,500 of gifts, which will not take us through next year. So now we are ready to consider our expenses and our budget for the coming year.

Comrade Rownd. Have you made any estimates that you want to present for our consideration?

Secretary Flood. It would seem to me, unless something like that matter came up—we never know what is going to come up. We must be prepared for things that do come up. We did not anticipate a year ago that we were going to have all this trouble and all this expense. I said then that we must be ready for emergencies. That is why they made the budget \$6,500. I told them at the time that we did not have it and would not have it even when we took our money from the fund. But some of our national presidents were nice enough, as they always are, to come forward and assure the commander in chief when we needed it we should have it, and we have continued to make the budget as we had planned. As I just told you, even with a 13-month administration we have kept it to about \$5,500, which has meant watching everything carefully. It has meant buying at the lowest price. I would not haggle over a thing for myself, but I do haggle over the rates for the Grand Army. I have bought just as low as I could.

We have lived in a town where there were no busses. You had to travel by taxicab if you went any distance. The commander in chief lived some distance, about 12 blocks, from the office, and I used a cab, but I did not charge that up on the office expenses. I took that out of my salary. I figured that that was some of the expense that should be covered by the extra money they allowed me if it was necessary. And I kept everything to the lowest limit.

Now it is customary to provide first for the travel allowance for the commander in chief. Last year it was \$800. The commander in chief I believe only drew \$200. But I did the traveling in connection with the arrangements, and my travel I think came to something like three or four hundred, and that did not bring it up to the \$800, which has helped to keep the budget down. But we would still have been below the \$6,500 had we used the \$800 travel.

Mrs. SCHROEDER. Don't you think that the \$800 should still stand?

Secretary FLOOD. I do; yes. The motion has to come from a comrade.

Comrade ROWND. What would you suggest then in addition to the \$6,500?

Secretary FLOOD. I would not suggest anything. I don't think you need to go above that \$6,500. I don't think you should cut us below it because we don't know what may happen; and if you say we cannot spend over \$6,000 and an emergency comes up our hands are tied. We have just got to quit, that is all; we haven't any business to go over it. When you set a limit then we never can go over it, even when it might have been better for the order if we could have done it. But we keep within budgets, whether we approve of the amount of that budget or not.

But I don't believe that I would recommend under the \$6,500 as the utmost. That doesn't mean that we have the right to throw it away, simply that you fix your salaries and you fix your travel, and everything else is general expense throughout the year.

Comrade ROWND. Commander in Chief, I move that we make an appropriation of \$6,500 for the use of the commander in chief and other expenses necessary for the carrying out of the work of the organization.

Secretary FLOOD. That is the budget for national headquarters for next year. For the commander in chief I put the motion made by Comrade Rownd, seconded by Comrade Penland, that the budget for the coming year be not over \$6,500, and just as much below it as we can do it. All those in favor? The commander in chief declares it voted.

(Comrade Grate retires from the meeting.)

Secretary FLOOD. Now you have to take up the commander in chief's travel. The travel for the last 6 years has been \$800. What is your motion?

Comrade ROWND. Nobody else seems ready to respond, and these ought to be taken care of.

Secretary FLOOD. You are quite capable of it.

Comrade ROWND. I move that an appropriation be made not exceeding \$800 for the use of the travel expense for the commander in chief.

[Motion seconded.]

Secretary FLOOD. Moved by Comrade Rownd, and seconded by Comrade Penland, that an appropriation not exceeding \$800 for traveling next year be made for the commander in chief. All those in favor? Those opposed? The commander in chief declares it voted.

Now comes the salary of your adjutant general and quartermaster general, and the secretary, which is always an embarrassing position for me.

Commander in Chief GALE. I suppose that would be governed more or less by the salaries that have been paid them before. I think that you should have sufficient salary to be—if you added \$5,000 to her salary it would only be comparable to what is paid over the United States. We must not be stingy with our secretary, because that is a lot of work.

Secretary FLOOD. I have received \$1,800, and this last year \$50 was allowed for extra expenses, but living in Warsaw it took it.

Comrade ROWND. That is \$50 a month.

Secretary FLOOD. That was \$50 a month extra. I waited until I had my expenses pretty well budgeted and saw what they were going to be before I drew it.

Comrade ROWND. Would that \$50 a month make you comfortable?

Secretary FLOOD. Yes; it did. I don't save any money on it, but then we are not in this world so much to save money as we are to do the things that are set for us to do, and I feel that this has been set for me to do. I hope the rest of them do.

Comrade ROWND. I am entirely in accord with that statement. I think somebody else should make the motion. I don't think I should make it.

Secretary FLOOD. Do you want to make the motion on my salary, that it be \$1,800 with the \$50 additional if necessary? If they begin to lower expenses all over the country I can lower that. If they go up like they look like they might, I could not lower it.

Comrade PENLAND. I think your salary ought to be raised to \$2,000.

Secretary FLOOD. I am content with the \$1,800 if I can have the extra \$50 a month if I need it.

Comrade PENLAND. I move that we give her the extra \$50. [Motion seconded.]

Secretary FLOOD. Moved by Comrade Penland and seconded by Comrade Rownd that the salary of the secretary be the same as heretofore, \$1,800 a year, with \$50 a month additional allowed for extra expense if needed.

Comrade ROWND. Before that motion is put—it ought to be stated, of course, and then have the privilege of discussion on this subject if anybody felt a desire to do so.

Secretary FLOOD. You have heard the motion. What do you comrades have to say about that? What do the presiding officers have to say? You furnish some of this money.

Mrs. SCHROEDER. I don't think you could get along with any less in these trying times.

Secretary FLOOD. A lot of people who do not live outside of their own home have no idea of what it costs.

Mrs. SCHROEDER. I know that.

Secretary FLOOD. If you live with your family you know what the expenses are, but when you go into a city after the schools have opened and the colleges have opened you take anything that is left if you can get it, and they hold you up, and I say "hold you up" advisedly because I have been held up and I had no choice.

Mrs. SCHROEDER. I know it. I therefore think you should have just the same as you always have.

Secretary FLOOD. I would like to hear from Mrs. Zeller as to what she thinks about that. It is rather embarrassing for you to express your opinion before me, just as it is for me to ask for it.

Mrs. ZELLER. Madam Secretary, I think that you should have at least \$2,000 instead of \$1,800. I know what the expense of living is in a city, and that seems to me to be a very small amount.

Secretary FLOOD. I am perfectly willing to take eighteen, with the extra if I need it.

Mrs. ZELLER. That would be my opinion, that you were entitled to \$2,000 at least, because any of these girls that work around in offices, I know several, and they get at least that much.

Secretary FLOOD. They get that right out of high school today.

Mrs. ZELLER. They claim when they pay their board and their laundry they cannot save anything out of that.

Secretary FLOOD. How about these other organizations? You help pay it too.

Mrs. McLAUGHLIN. Sister Secretary, I think you should have what you need. If there is any additional expenses, you should have that. I feel that my organization would be perfectly in accord with that.

Secretary FLOOD. The Sons and the Auxiliary want to express an opinion?

Mr. MACKEY. If I could get my girls at the plant on a salary that they are willing to accept and not want a raise every month, I would be tickled to death. So I think that if Sister Flood is willing to take \$1,800 and that \$50 extra per month if she needs it, that is all right.

Secretary FLOOD. You have heard the remarks. Are there any others?

Comrade ROWND. I think it is the sense of this meeting that the salary of the secretary should be increased \$200 and the salary be fixed at \$2,000 instead of eighteen.

Secretary FLOOD. Do you mean with the extra if needed, the extra \$50 if needed?

Commander in Chief GALE. Raise the salary to two thousand.

Secretary FLOOD. As I told you, I have been willing to take the \$1,800. It is pretty close snipping. You would be surprised at the calls that are made on the national secretary and in the national headquarters for contributions. They come from our organizations.

The motion has been made and seconded that the salary be \$2,000, with \$50 a month additional if necessary. All those in favor? Those opposed? It is a vote.

Now we have paid to the quartermaster and adjutant general for 6 years \$100. The quartermaster pays that to the department secretary of his department who keeps the books and ships the supplies, so it does not go to him. But we all know that our comrades today are not equal to keeping books and shipping supplies, so that \$100 salary was given to enable him to compensate the department secretary for the additional work, and I think that is only fair. And then she comes to the national encampment. Of course, the department pays her expenses as department secretary, and we take care, through our contract with the city, of her room and her meals, which her department had to pay before.

Comrade Le Valley, do you want to make a motion that the same salaries be paid? It is moved by Comrade Le Valley and seconded by Comrade Rownd that the salaries of the quartermaster general and the adjutant general be \$100 a year each for the coming year. All those in favor? Those opposed? The commander in chief declares it so voted.

Now that takes care of our business. Everything else in expense comes under telephone, telegraph, or supplies, postage, and the postage this year has been heavy because of the matter that we sent out when we thought we were going to ballot—16 cents, 8 out and 8 coming back, and when you pay 24 cents a letter on 3 trips, 31 members of your national council, it counts up.

Comrade ROWND. What amount do you suggest should be appropriated to take care of this extra expense?

Secretary FLOOD. I still think that \$6,500 will cover it.

Mrs. ZELLER. May I be excused? I have some very important things to attend to. I know the ladies are waiting for me.

Secretary FLOOD. We are glad you came. I will see you on the west coast sometime. That really closes our business. I did want you to know where the money contributed to the Grand Army goes, and I will see that everyone gets the printed report which covers every voucher drawn.

Comrade LE VALLEY. Where did we decide to go next year?

Secretary FLOOD. We haven't decided. We didn't get an invitation. Nobody promised us anything. Pasadena and Los Angeles would like to have you come and pay your own bills. This morning there came a telegram from Indianapolis that they, having entertained us so recently, knew our requirements and they would be glad to have an opportunity to present an invitation. Grand Rapids did not invite us. We will just have to wait and see what we can get, and then the executive committee will decide.

Comrade ROWND. Does that finish the business for which we were called?

Secretary FLOOD. That finishes the business.

Comrade ROWND. Then I move that the meeting adjourn. [Motion seconded.]

Secretary FLOOD. I did want these presidents to know how this money was spent. The report shows it. I would like to say, though, that the report this year and last was not complete. The office expense had to be entered differently. It used to be entered as so much postage, telegrams, and everything else, and the printer said to me last year and this year, "You must cut this down. We cannot have the paper. We don't have the men to set the type and set out all this office expense, and your auditing committee does have the bills." We have all the itemized bills and we can go back into our expense and find any item. I say this so that everybody will know they are not padded.

Comrade ROWND. You ought to know all of this. We would not be meeting today if it was not for their diplomacy and work.

Secretary FLOOD. The commander in chief declares this meeting adjourned sine die. (2:20 p. m.)

MEMORIAL SERVICES
UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
CAMP FIRE AND PARADE

**JOINT MEMORIAL SERVICES IN MEMORIAL HALL,
COLUMBUS, OHIO, SUNDAY AFTERNOON, SEPTEMBER
30, 1945, 2:30 P. M.**

Hon. Paul M. Herbert, chairman, committee on arrangements, presiding.

Chairman HERBERT. Members of the Grand Army of the Republic, Commander Sharp, and affiliated organizations, we of Columbus and of Ohio are honored and most happy to be the host of the Seventy-ninth Annual Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic. In keeping with the traditions of the past and the recognition that our National Government gives to the Grand Army, and as a token of the pride that all of the people of our country have in the Grand Army of the Republic our Federal Government has made it possible to have with us during this encampment without doubt the outstanding musical organization in the world. It is connected with, and I say this as an infantryman of the First World War—the United States Marine Corps Band is a part of the fightingest outfit of any veterans in the world's history. We have with us this famous band and are proud to have with us its leader, Captain Santelmann. [Applause.]

(Music, United States Marine Band, Capt. William F. Santelmann, leader.)

Chairman HERBERT. How about a rousing reception and acclaim to the commander in chief of the Grand Army, Commander Sharp? [Applause.]

Is Reverend Timmerman in the audience? Well, as the Civil War was fought largely by volunteers, in the absence of Reverend Timmerman who was to pronounce the invocation, I am going to call upon the chaplain of the Grand Army of the Republic to pronounce the invocation, Robert M. Rownd.

Chaplain in Chief ROWND. Let us bow in prayer. Dear Heavenly Father, we come into Thy presence with gratitude in our hearts and with simplicity of spirit. We pray that Thou wilt bless this large gathering, the veterans of the Civil War, to pay tribute to those that have passed into the richer and fuller life. We ask all these favors in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

Chairman HERBERT. There are few, if any, younger men who could have asked a more appropriate blessing of God on this assembly than did Chaplain Rownd.

For a great many years, going back to 1872 when General Grant was inaugurated President of the United States, we have had a great singing organization—not this group but their predecessors sang at the inauguration of General Grant in 1872. This great singing organization has been spreading this gospel of music for all the years since. We are most happy to present to you one of the prides of Columbus, the Republican Glee Club.

(The Glee Club then sang two numbers, receiving hearty applause.)

Chairman HERBERT. It might be of interest for us all to know that Chaplain Rownd, who gave the invocation, at one time was a member of the Glee Club and was one of its outstanding vocalists and singers.

We come to a place in the program in this memorial service burdened with memory and burdened with solemnity, and during the presentation of the floral tributes, of course, we will refrain from applause. These tributes, of course, are to the absent of the Grand Army. The first tribute ordinarily is placed by the commander in chief, but due to the passage of years, though his heart is young and his spirit is vigorous, yet he is not physically as active as he was years ago. So his tribute, the tribute of Commander Sharp, will be placed by Miss Flood, with the commander standing.

(Floral tribute place upon easel by Miss Katharine R. A. Flood, national secretary, Grand Army of the Republic.)

(Floral tributes were then placed by the following officers of the allied organizations:)

Laura I. Smith, national president, Woman's Relief Corps.

Eunice Rash, national president, Ladies of the GAR.

Beatrice D. Manning, national president, Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

Urien W. Mackey, commander in chief, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

Edith B. Nile, national president, Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

(Music, United States Marine Band.)

Chairman HERBERT. This evening at 8 o'clock the Marine Corps Band will give a public concert in this hall. You are all urged to return this evening, and tell your friends to come with you, because this evening will be a favored opportunity to you and the citizens of Columbus that comes but very, very rarely.

I wonder if Reverend Kantner has arrived. Reverend Kantner, the chaplain of the American Legion of Ohio, was to give the memorial address, but apparently he inadvertently forgot that our time changed last night or this morning at 2 o'clock. We made up an hour, and he perhaps has not noticed that and has been unable to be here.

That gives to your general chairman a real privilege and the opportunity to, in a small way, try to take the place of the Reverend Kantner, and to say something this afternoon in the way of a memorial.

There is no one who is able by mere words to pay even an appropriate respect to the memory of the departed comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic. The Civil War ranks as one of the outstanding conflicts of all history. If wars can accomplish a great good then the suffering, the heartaches, the deaths are not in vain, so long as men cannot peaceably adjust and settle their disputes and disagreements. Sometimes many, many years and perhaps generations must pass before the full effect of a great war has been established.

But the Civil War was fought on principle, a principle that had been discussed and debated for generations prior to that great conflict. The issue was clear. That issue was whether the Union of States should survive, whether the destiny that God had shaped for this country was to be achieved by the States in one great Union or whether our country was to be divided and to be broken up and to take from the world's history the united effort of this great Nation.

Those veterans of the Grand Army who gave their lives on the field of battle, those who gave of their blood, those who lost their limbs, those who fought and by good fortune came out with health—they all preserved this great Nation. They contributed not only to our own great Nation but they made it possible that in the succeeding years this country of ours should take the leadership in the world in providing a place where the humble man could have freedom.

I know that we say that the Civil War was fought to free the slaves. That was merely secondary. Its primary purpose was to save and preserve the Union. Secondarily, a race was freed from bondage and a race was given the blessing of life under our flag to partake of the rights and the opportunities so richly bestowed upon American citizenship.

So I believe we can say as our memories go back—some with living memories—most of us through the pages of our histories—that there could hardly be any contribution to our country and to our flag that could compare in the slightest with the great contribution that the men of the Grand Army of the Republic, living and dead, made to our flag and to our country.

It is impossible in words, it is impossible perhaps for any of us to really appreciate what it meant to the world, to the oppressed and struggling of the world, to know that with Appomattox there was established in this country for all time a great Nation, a Nation united, where the oppressed and the humblest of the world were invited to come, where men by giving their blood and their lives had established for all time freedom and liberty in this country.

I do not know of any observance that we today can take part in that has more of respect than to try to preserve the memories of the great days of the Grand Army of the Republic. From their loins have come three generations of fighting men—those who fought the Spanish-American War, those who fought in the First World War, and these who have now so successfully and victoriously fought in great World War No. II. Fresh in our minds now are Okinawa, Guadalcanal, Wake, Guam, Corregidor, Pearl Harbor, Normandy Beach, and we are proud that the bravery and the courage of the men and boys of our generation enriched the soil of those battlefields and enriched the pages of history by their sacrifice and by their blood.

But I believe we can say that fresh as those names are in our current history, fresh as are the deeds of heroism and bravery there performed, that as history is written in the future and the readers 25, 50, or a 100 years from now leaf through the pages, these deeds of what we now know as important battlefields will stand out with no more richness, stand out with no more greatness than of Shiloh and Gettysburg and Antietam and Chancellorsville and Vicksburg and those great fields of battle of the great War of the States.

We gather here in the capital of one of the great Commonwealths of the country in the Seventy-ninth Annual Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic. Through the passage of time the ranks of that once invincible Army are now reduced to but few, but they stand, perhaps enfeebled by age, but they stand as a token of the greatness, the rugged spirit of America.

Those few who honor us today, those few whom God has spared to be with us today, can with pride look upon the story of the past few years and they can feel that the America that they forged out on many a bloody battlefield is an America today strong and vigorous, and that their sons of our generation are keeping the faith with those who fought the War of the States. So let us all do all we can, at least make every effort that we can, to pay the proper tribute in our hearts and in our thoughts and in our prayers to those of the Grand Army of the Republic, to the great days that they lived and the great days in which they fought in the history of our country.

And in the Great Bivouac of Eternity where your millions of the comrades of those who are now living are assembled to the command of the Great Commander of the Universe, they are looking down upon us, and they feel well done our sacrifices, that which we gave from 1861 to 1864 were not in vain. America greater and stronger, an America humbler, is moving forward in the great destiny, in the great scheme of the Commander of the Universe.

I wonder if we could have perhaps another selection by the Marine Corps Band.

(Music, United States Marine Band.)

Chairman HERBERT. I see that you have arrived, Mr. Timmerman. You were not here at 2 o'clock, perhaps owing to the change of time, and the chaplain of the Grand Army took your place and gave a very splendid invocation.

We come to the order on the program of "Tribute to deceased members of the Grand Army of the Republic," and the Chair presents first the chaplain in chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, Robert M. Rownd.

Chaplain in Chief ROWND. My dear friends, I feel like it is an appropriate opportunity for me to make known to this audience that at one time I was a resident of this beautiful, patriotic, and generous city noted for its entertainment and hospitality, and enlisted in the Army of our country to do everything that I could to maintain the integrity of this Nation. I enlisted in the Army in the beginning of the war inspired with a spirit of patriotism, as the comrades who are seated before me at this time. We had no other purpose than to maintain the integrity and the good will of the people of this Nation.

I am glad that I am here today to represent those men who fell in time of battle or have died since the close of the Civil War. I thank God that those men who were inspired by that spirit of patriotism enlisted in the Army of their country and followed the flag of the Nation which we love; and I hope that the spirit of fellowship and good will and the spirit of human brotherhood may prevail throughout our whole Nation and the Nation that we love and honor; and I hope the love of Christ will be in the hearts of those men who fought in the Civil War and when the life of them shall have passed that they may have a rich reward in the fellowship and communion with the savior of the world. God bless you all.

Chairman HERBERT. Chaplain Rownd, may I just say this with one of your vigor physically and intellectually, you will be attending encampments of the Grand Army for at least another half century. He says it is so.

I notice up here in the gallery the Congressman from this district, the Honorable John Vorys. Had I been able to find him a few minutes ago he would have given this memorial address. But tomorrow night here in this hall Congressman Vorys will bring a message from Congress. As he is a veteran of the First World War he will have something that all of us will be interested in hearing.

The tribute to the deceased members of the Grand Army of the Republic from the Woman's Relief Corps by their national chaplain, Ethel Chambers.

Mrs. CHAMBERS. Mr. Chairman, Commander in Chief Isaac W. Sharp, my National President Laura I. Smith and allied presidents and commander, distinguished guests, members and friends:

Softly now the light of day
Fades upon my sight away;
Free from care, from labor free;
Lord, I would abide in Thee!

Amen.

How significant is that prayer to the lives of our Grand Army comrades as they are passing on to eternal sleep. Bravely they walk through the "Valley of the shadow of death and fear no evil," because they are the brave soldiers who wore the Blue and have finished their labors. The time is drawing near when these dear souls will all be reunited in a fairer land, and our allied orders will no longer receive their wise counsel. But their inspirations, their deeds, will always be with us and shine forth as the beautiful stars in heaven on a clear night.

Memorials in memory of our dear ones are also memorials to the living, and as we pay our tribute let us remember that upon us falls the responsibility and honor of carrying on their work of service and self-sacrifice. It is therefore up to the Woman's Relief Corps, their chosen Auxiliary, to keep the lamp trimmed and the oil replenished, so the world will never forget the comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, who saved our Nation and flag and taught freedom and democracy to its people. May we ever remember that their spirit hovers over us and will live on forever, because —

They are "At home" on the beautiful hills of God,
By the "Valley of rest" so fair;
Someday, sometime, when our task is done,
With joy, we shall meet them there.

Amen.

Chairman HERBERT. Thank you, Mrs. Chambers, for that beautiful tribute to the deceased members of the Grand Army.

Now the Ladies of the Grand Army bring their tribute to the deceased members, through their national chaplain, Mrs. Marie L. Harkins.

Mrs. HARKINS. Comrade Sharp and distinguished guests, as national chaplain of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic I am proud indeed on this memorable occasion to have the privilege of paying tribute to these great heroic dead of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Well may you and I pause in these days of unrest and trials to consider what our beloved flag means to each one of us. We must keep our American flag, the red, the white, and the blue untarnished.

Our Boys in Blue from '61 to '65 did their part. They have given each of us a noble heritage, a sound foundation. Let each of us as American citizens resolve to see that what they fought and died for shall always be kept honorable, and that "the Government of the people, by the people and for the people shall not perish from the earth."

If the curtain could be lifted
It would only be a step
To our comrades over yonder.
We would wonder why we wept.

When life's hour hand pointed Heavenward,
Our dear comrade's life ebbed away,
Leaving us with hearts of sadness,
As a cloud upon our day.

For them the curtain has been lifted,
With sweet memories we bid them rest;
They are waiting with crowns of glory
Until our sun sinks in the west.

Chairman HERBERT. Thank you, Mrs. Harkins, for those words of respect to the memory of the dead of the Grand Army.

Now the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Grand Army of the Republic bring their tribute to the deceased members of that great fighting organization through the voice of its national chaplain, Mrs. Josephine Bickham.

Mrs. BICKHAM. Commander in Chief Sharp, Comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, distinguished guests, national heads, and friends, we gather today in memorial service for comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic who have answered that last roll call during the past 12 months. It is most fitting that we, Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, 1861-65, should join in this service, for we are their descendants and should lovingly remember them, for—

We are living, young and old
Of whom one time these dead were told.
They heard of us in bygone days,
In ringing speech and artful phrase,
We are the reason why they fought,
We are the soldiers' final thought.

We are that age which was to be,
They did not ask to live and see,
We are the ones our glorious brave
Were told they shouldered arms to save.
These dead went gladly forth to die
That we might safely sell and buy.

Memorial Time! At cross or mound
The living once again are found,
The living thinking flag and flower
Sufficient for this holy hour,
While war's unhindered steel and lead
Still strew the earth with gallant dead.

God grant that the freedom and unity for which our Boys in Blue fought in our own land may spread to the whole world and wars may never come again.

Chairman HERBERT. Thank you, Mrs. Bickham, for the tribute that you bring from the Daughters of Union Veterans.

Now the tribute of the Sons of Union Veterans, brought to you by their national chaplain, George E. Bailey.

Mr. BAILEY. Commander in Chief Sharp, honored guests, fellow Americans, again we are privileged to pay our tribute to the honored dead of the Grand Army of the Republic. Their ranks are thinning, they are passing one by one, they are answering the call of the great commander in chief above us.

Four years ago, in 1941, when we met in this city, there were 55 comrades here. Today I am informed by the secretary that they only expect 16. When the last comrade is gone, Commander Sharp, we, the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, pledge ourselves to carry on and tell the story and keep alive the heroic deeds of the Grand Army of the Republic:

Loving and kind in all their ways,
Upright and just to the end of their days,
Sincere and true in their hearts and mind,
Beautiful memories they have left behind.

Chairman HERBERT. Thank you, Mr. Bailey, for the tribute for the Sons of Union Veterans.

Now the tribute on the part of the Auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans, their tribute to the deceased members of the Grand Army, by their national chaplain, Mrs. Lena G. Barrett.

Mrs. BARRETT. The Auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War also wish to join with you in sacred thought as we pause this hour in loving remembrance of those we miss at this encampment.

When the Boys in Blue served their country, there were 34 stars in the flag, representing the number of States in our great Republic. At that time many of us were yet unborn. We are now enjoying the result of their service to humanity. And what a service! Look at Washington's time. It is in the stars of the flag that we read the growth of the American Nation. The original 13 stars represented the colonies. The Boys in Blue had 34 and we have 48—a gain of many States.

So gains have been made under our comrade influence until we have our free and independent Nation as our forefathers planned—the most wonderful republic in the world.

Our comrades of 1861–65 pledged their all for a free nation under God's laws. As time sped on through these marvelous 80 years, they left us, little by little, and we assumed more and more of the duties under their teachings.

We must not falter in our duties, but remember that for which our organization stands. It has kept the color and meaning of our flag and given it to each of us: Red, for valor, zeal and fervency. White, for hope, purity, cleanliness of life, and rectitude of conduct. Blue, the color of the heavens, for reverence of God, loyalty, justice, and truth.

Let us in gratitude and loving remembrance preserve our flag and maintain the faith in our great Republic which our fathers and their comrades gave us.

The Grand Army of the Republic has always been our "guiding light."

The finest tribute we can pay unto our dead,
today.
Is not a rose wreath white and red in memory
of the blood they shed;
It is to stand beside each mound of consecrated
ground,
And pledge ourselves as warriors true, unto the
work they tried to do.
Our hearts must be the roses red we place above
our hero dead.
Today beside their graves we must humbly say,
we hold the flag as dear as they
And stand as they stood to die, to keep the
Stars and Stripes on high.

Our guiding light, the Grand Army of the Republic.

Chairman HERBERT. Thank you, Mrs. Barrett. To be chairman of any observance carries with it certain rights. Now I am going to add something to the program. I have just talked to a young fellow here and he said that he had enlisted in the 1st Ohio Cavalry in the Civil War. He said he came from Montgomery County over east of Dayton and he had to do a lot of fast work to get in because he was only 15. And that after serving in the war with this Ohio outfit—you folks from out of Ohio must understand that we here in Ohio have a great pride in our State, because we know that it is practically uncontradicted that Ohio is the leading State in the Union. Of course we have some slight competition from 47 other States, but that is what makes the Nation great.

And this young fellow came back and he settled in Ohio and he taught school for I think 17 years. Now we have known of great citizens in Indiana coming to Ohio, and they showed excellent judgment, Commander Sharp. Upon looking back over his long years, I cannot understand why he moved from Ohio to Indiana. But he said he had. And he said, "It is a little bit late to correct a mistake," so he asked me if I would not make it for him.

Now that is a little bit aside from a memorial service, but I know all of us would like to hear a word from the commander in chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, Mr. Isaac W. Sharp, of Warsaw, Ind. Commander Sharp.

Commander in Chief SHARP. I am unable to walk, and therefore unable to speak or try to make an address. I am glad we are in Ohio for our encampment, led by one of their own boys. I am a Buckeye, born in Ohio, raised in Ohio, enlisted in Ohio, and served a time in the war for Ohio. As the last speaker has said, I came home and taught school in Ohio for 19 years, and then I went to Indiana for my health. I was going to quit teaching when I got out there, but they wouldn't let me. Once they put me in they wanted me to stay, and I stayed with them for a number of years. So I want you to know that all of your conventions are under the leadership of one of your boys. I belong to you, to Ohio.

At a meeting in Indianapolis when the monument was dedicated the Governor of Ohio and the Governor of Indiana were there. With one hand I held the hand of the Governor of Ohio and with the other

the hand of the Governor of Indiana, and they introduced me; and James Whitcomb Riley was up there on a front seat.

Indiana has been wonderful to me. They have the commander in chief. They have done me all the honor they could. But I really belong to Ohio. I went to Indiana in 1887, so you can see how long I have been there. I am proud to meet you here this afternoon. I say, God bless every one of you. When we get over on the other side I hope you will all be there. I thank you. God bless you.

Chairman HERBERT. Commander Sharp, it is mighty kind of you to bring this message and say such nice things about Ohio. Your mention of when we get over to the other side brings to my mind what somebody thought about Ohio, and he said this:

When the burdens of life I am called to lay down,
I hope I may die in Ohio.
I never could ask for a more glorious crown
Than one of a son of Ohio.

When Gabriel's last trump wakes the land and the sea
And the tombs of the earth set their prisoners free,
You may all go along if you choose, but for me
I think I'll just stay in Ohio.

Now we are privileged to hear again the greatest of all bands, the United States Marine Corps Band.

(Music, United States Marine Band.)

Chairman HERBERT. Thank you, Captain Santelmann and your splendid group of members. This evening in Memorial Hall will be given one of the outstanding musical concerts in the history of our city by the Marine Corps Band. So you are urged, all of you, to come back this evening for a musical and cultural banquet, and urge your friends to attend.

I wonder if Reverend Ashburn is here. Well, after this memorial I believe that all of us can bow ourselves and in our hearts and in our minds ask a benediction; that we may ask God to strengthen us and to make each of us worthy as Americans of the great sacrifice, the great sufferings that they have endured that we today may have a free America and be citizens of it.

You are dismissed.

(Taps, United States Marine Band.) (4:02 p. m.)

**SEMIOFFICIAL MEETING HELD IN MEMORIAL HALL,
COLUMBUS, OHIO, MONDAY EVENING, OCTOBER 1, 1945,
7:30 P. M.**

Hon. Paul M. Herbert, chairman committee on arrangements, presiding.

(Music, United States Marine Band.)

Chairman HERBERT. Ladies and gentlemen, those of you who have attended Grand Army of the Republic encampments in the past know that the official ceremony cannot begin until the arrival of the commander in chief. He is attending a dinner in his honor this evening and will be delayed in his arrival for a few minutes. But Captain Santelmann and the band have indicated a willingness to give a little informal concert for the benefit of those here awaiting the arrival of the commander in chief. This is another instance of the splendid desire that is always manifested in the Marine Corps Band to give of its talent and its time for and to the American people. Captain Santelmann and the Marine Corps Band.

(Selections, United States Marine Band.)

Chairman HERBERT. We have just received information that due to the inclemency of the weather it has been deemed inadvisable for the commander in chief to attend this evening session. But acting in his stead will be Past Commander in Chief Bob Rownd.

Opening this evening's service we are particularly fortunate to have with us and to sing the Star-Spangled Banner, Mrs. Dorothy Stevens Humphreys.

(Star-Spangled Banner, Mrs. Humphreys.)

Chairman HERBERT. Thank you, Mrs. Humphreys. I always get an increased thrill when I hear her sing or lead our national anthem.

The invocation will be pronounced by the pastor of our Broad Street Christian Church, the Reverend Floyd Faust.

Reverend Mr. FAUST. Will you bow your heads with me for a moment in prayer? Our Heavenly Father, tonight we do bow our heads before Thee in recognition of the fact that this great Nation of ours is and we pray may always be under God and that our sovereignty rests in Thee. We ask, our Heavenly Father, to keep us faithful, knowing that our best manner of being serviceable to our country is that we shall first of all be loyal unto Thee, our Father.

We pray, Father, that Thou wilt help them that by word say one thing and do otherwise. Help us to remember the things we ought not to forget, and we pray Thee, Father, that we may forget the things we ought not to remember.

And, Father, we do pray that Thou wilt help us as a nation and as individuals that we shall have the courage and the strength and the willingness to do that which will enable us to change the things that ought to be changed, and we pray that we may have the patience and

the strength to endure the things that cannot be changed. We pray that we will have the wisdom to know and to discern between the one and the other; and for that kind of wisdom and strength and patience we pray.

And Thine be the power and the honor and the glory forever. Amen.

Chairman HERBERT. Again we are privileged to have on the program that great singing musical organization, the Columbus Republican Glee Club.

(Selections, Glee Club.)

Chairman HERBERT. Thank you. I have here a rather historical message:

THE WHITE HOUSE,
Washington, September 27, 1945.

ISAAC W. SHARP, Esq.,
*Commander in Chief, Grand Army of the Republic,
Columbus, Ohio.*

DEAR COMRADE SHARP: It is a privilege and an honor to salute you and all the veteran heroes of the Grand Army of the Republic. Although your country owes you a debt which it is impossible to repay, the services which you rendered will never be forgotten. It is in the best tradition of the GAR that fourscore years after Appomattox you and your venerable colleagues—survivors of shot and shell and conquerors of the ravages of time—are gathering to renew old associations and live again the stirring days of '61 to '65.

I regret that it is impossible for me to accept your kind invitation to attend in person the Seventy-ninth National Encampment; but I know you understand the heavy pressure under which all of us are working these days. But I shall be thinking of you and as a soldier comrade send you hearty felicitations and warmest personal greetings.

Faithfully yours,

HARRY S. TRUMAN.

[Applause.]

Chairman HERBERT. Our mayor, the Honorable James A. Rhodes, is in Indianapolis this evening on official business looking to the establishment here in Columbus of additional air facilities, consequently he is unable to be with us and has expressed to me personally his regrets. However, in his stead there is with us the director of service of the city of Columbus, who will extend to you greetings on behalf of your host city.

It is a pleasure to present a fine man and a warm personal friend, the director of service of Columbus, Ohio, Elmer Keller.

Mr. KELLER. Chairman Herbert, Past Commander in Chief Rownd, officers and members of the national encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic, officers and members of the affiliated organizations of the Grand Army of the Republic, and friends all, in behalf of his honor, Mayor James A. Rhodes, of the city of Columbus, I am indeed happy to extend to you greetings and a very warm and a very sincere welcome to our city.

We are indeed honored by your presence. For more than three-quarters of a century the Grand Army of the Republic has had an important and a patriotic influence in shaping the affairs of this Nation. Crystallized in these conventions have come many of the policies adopted by our representatives which have guided this Nation so well in the past years. That those policies have been soundly conceived and wisely directed is evidenced by the greatness of the Nation itself.

The Grand Army of the Republic has distinguished itself proudly

in war, but none the less ably in peace. Long may it and its affiliated organizations live, long may it stand fast by its true principles, and often may it return to Columbus, Ohio, for its annual encampments where you are so genuinely welcome.

May your stay be pleasant as well as profitable, and in behalf of the city administration I say this: Do not hesitate to call upon us or any member of the city force wherever we can be of any service to you and assist you in any way possible in making this encampment the most successful one to date.

Chairman HERBERT. Thank you, Elmer. Mr. Keller had been called upon to attend a meeting of the council this evening. In fact it was his official duty to be there. But he was rather glad that the program was delayed, because he would rather be here with you than with the council. I think he exercised his very commendable and excellent judgment. You can attend a council meeting any Monday night.

Now on the program is an address of welcome by the Governor of Ohio, and he likewise sends his regrets. Had it not been for a slight error of judgment of the people of Ohio in the primaries in 1944, the Governor would have been with you right now. But in his place and stead we are all of us most fortunate that Mr. Cross was able to secure an extremely able substitute, and perhaps I should not use the word "substitute."

We have from our district here, the Twelfth District, one of the ablest Members of the House of Representatives of our National Congress. Our Congressman, John Vorys, served with distinction in World War No. 1. He endeavored to get into the service in World War No. 2, but due to age and general physical infirmities Uncle Sam didn't want to take a chance on him. But nevertheless John did—he was a flyer on a Rickenbacker in the First World War—Congressman Vorys did do considerable scouting in the present war, flying over the Gulf of Mexico and other adjacent waters during the days when the submarine was a menace and it was just a question whether we would survive the submarine and be able to check them all.

John has served from this district for a great number of terms. I know, regardless of partisanship, that he will continue to serve the district as long as he cares to do so. So in place of the Governor of Ohio we have on the program one of the leaders in the lower House, a veteran of the First World War, and, all in all, a splendid example of real Americanism, Congressman John Vorys. [Applause.]

Mr. VORYS. Chairman Herbert and distinguished visitors to our community, the President cannot be here, and the Governor cannot be here, and the mayor cannot be here—but I am here, and I bring you greetings from Columbus and from Ohio to the whole doggone United States of America. [Applause.] And there is just one thing that makes me better than all three of them, and that is that I am here [applause,] and very happy to be here.

I came home to make sure that this great GAR encampment had a good start. I have got to fly back to Washington tomorrow. I am very happy to be here. We came back to your memorial service yesterday. I brought my son and one of my daughters—the other is out of town. The boy that came is 16. And as we stood there at the door looking up here after we came in my son said, "Daddy, that GAR veteran conducting the meeting is certainly wonderfully pre-

served. You said they were all 95 or over. He doesn't look to be over 80." I said, "That is Governor Herbert." He said, "But I thought that was Governor Herbert that was out at our church passing the collection plate this morning." He had identified Comrade Rownd, and Comrade Rownd has long been an ideal of mine.

He was at the Broad Street Methodist Church. He left it just a short time ago—45 years ago—but there are still a lot of ladies that we call young ladies who still remember him out there. He has been a distinguished public official here. But, of course, when you find in one person a man who is a GAR veteran, a Methodist, and a Republican, it warms my heart. [Applause.]

I want to pay my tribute to this great musical organization that is here today in honor of those heroes of 80 years ago, and to say how proud I am that for the second time I introduced and put through Congress the bill that brought them here. [Applause.] I did the same thing in 1941. I don't know why it is that separate legislation is needed for that purpose, but I am glad it is, because it gave me a chance to have the Vorys bill become the document that brings the United States Marine Band to this community to do honor and to give great pleasure to my fellow townsmen. Now, getting that bill through is not much of a job. It was most interesting and significant that it goes through the Naval Affairs Committee of the House. The chairman of that committee is Congressman Vinson, of Georgia, a southerner. I come originally from Lancaster that made Marching Through Georgia famous," because that is where William Tecumseh Sherman came from. We know what charges some of the members have made about the late war, but it was very interesting and touching to me that Chairman Vinson after I introduced the bill and it was referred to his committee, took it under his charge, and since he was the chairman and he was a Democrat and a southerner he could do most of the talking on the floor a lot better than I could. He made the main speech to put through this bill to bring the Marine Corps Band here, and all I had to do was add a gentle and tactful "Me too" and "Them is my sentiments." But this organization, which is not only a band but a marching symphony orchestra, is a great organization. I have heard them play at the White House. They are rushing back to be there Thursday for Nimitz. They are going to play in honor of that great sailor. We are indeed privileged to have them here.

One word and I am through. These are troublous times that hold great problems and great promise for the future. We have only a handful of the veterans in whose name this encampment is held, in whose name the Government of the United States sent this great musical organization here, in whose name we are all meeting. The rest of us are shining in their reflected glory.

As we think of their great deeds and privations of 80 years ago our minds and our hearts and our eyes turn back, and yet in times like this it would be a great mistake if we permitted ourselves too long to dwell on the glories of the past and not to put our minds and hearts toward the future and to do as they did in their day—to solve the problems of today that will in turn bring happy answers to the problems of tomorrow.

And so I suggest that all of us as we do honor to these who have done honor to us and glory to their country in the past, that we dwell not

overlong, not cherish to our hearts too much the association we may have had with the past glory, but that we draw inspiration from them and the way they met the problems of their day, to meet the problems of the future with the spirit and the hardihood and the resourcefulness and courage and heroism of the Grand Army of the Republic as they met the problems of their day.

We know that the Union won the war, but historians still debate as to whether the primary purpose was to bring union or to bring liberty to a certain part of the country that had been enslaved. Which-ever you say was the most important, those are still the twin goals of free men—union and liberty. Ever since the time of the Greek philosopher men have realized that one could not exist without the other; that freedom was not possible without order and organization that goes with union; and that unity and order were not worth while unless there was still left individual liberty.

The anarchists have found individual freedom and lost order and have created a hell on earth. The Nazis have found order without liberty and created a hell on earth. In the days of reconversion, in the days when we must make a peace and make sacrifices in this war-weary world, we can have ahead of us, as these boys of 1861 to 1865 had ahead of them as their goal, the twin goals of both order and freedom and liberty, union and freedom, order and liberty. These twin goals of free men must be before our eyes in the great days that lie ahead. We must face those days as these men faced the reconstruction days. "With malice toward none; with charity for all; with firmness in the right, as God gives us to see the right," let us press on to the unfinished tasks that lie ahead, "to bind up the Nation's wounds; to care for him who shall have borne the battle, and for his widow, and his orphan," and to establish "and cherish a just and lasting peace." As we hold this goal before us, thus do we best do honor to those who suffered and sacrificed for us in the years half way back to the founding of the Republic—1861 to 1865.

I thank you. [Applause.]

Chairman HERBERT. Thank you, John, for that splendid address. Some of the reminiscences that we have take us back in the life of Columbus. They tell me—at least some of the older folks—that you were here when Bob Rownd left Columbus. As you well remember, you said that was 45 years ago. It happens, coincidentally, Congressman Vorys celebrated his golden wedding anniversary the same day that Bob left town. They are among the bulwarks of liberty and traditions of strength here in Columbus.

Now, we do say in all seriousness that with men of the purpose, men of the education, men of the understanding of our country, and men of courage that Congressman Vorys has, with men of that type in Government we do not need to fear much about the future of our country.

Now then we will be favored by further selections from the Marine Corps Band.

(Music, United States Marine Band.)

Chairman HERBERT. We will now have the greetings to the Grand Army of the Republic from its affiliated organizations, and first is the greeting of the Woman's Relief Corps by its national president, Mrs. Laura I. Smith.

Mrs. SMITH. Mr. Chairman, representatives of the State and city government, and friends; as national president of the Relief Corps I feel very proud to be here tonight. Since 1883, and I have no need to tell you, Past Commander in Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, that is when you made the Woman's Relief Corps your Auxiliary—from the West and the East, and the North and the South, and tonight it is the crowning event of the sixty-third year of the Woman's Relief Corps that I have the privilege to bring to you the greetings and the love of 80,000 women and present to you a very material gift for the national organization of the Grand Army of the Republic. We believe, Comrade, that in the hearts of the coming generation the glory of the Grand Army of the Republic will live and your honor will never cease, even though this is the beautiful time of everlasting peace.

I bring you their love, their greeting, and present to you a check for \$1,000 for the Grand Army fund and \$500 for the southern memorial fund. Accept it with the love and admiration of the National Woman's Relief Corps.

Past Commander in Chief ROWND. President of the Woman's Relief Corps, a great national organization, one of the greatest organizations in the great State of Ohio, and the Nation, this \$1,000 check which you present for the use of our organization I accept in the name of the commander in chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, Isaac W. Sharp, and the \$500 that you also present, I will see that it is transmitted at the earliest date to the organization you want to receive it.

Chairman HERBERT. Well, Comrade Rownd, if there are any other checks to be passed around I will be very happy to assist you if it become too burdensome, and I know that Congressman Vorys is more than eager to assist if it becomes too laborious to receive checks.

The greetings of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic through its national president, Mrs. Eunice Rash.

Mrs. RASH. Past Commander in Chief Rownd, other distinguished gentlemen, my coworkers, this wonderful United States Marine Band, in the history of all nations are recorded the heroisms and achievements of men and women through all ages, and to these are conceded the highest appreciation and eternal honor to which they are justly entitled.

We have assembled in Columbus, Ohio, this week to pay homage to our Grand Army of the Republic—those men who gave the last measure of devotion to preserve this glorious country of ours as one and indissoluble nation. Your achievements and heroisms will stand carved everlastingly in our memories and emblazoned with eternal reverence in our hearts.

Builders of democracy need to see far and need to see clearly.

We are living in a world of challenge and grave responsibility.

The first atomic bomb has laid an inescapable obligation upon the governments of the world to find some other means of settling international disputes. It has written in letters of fire and fused earth, the verdict:

They that take the sword must perish by the sword.

The Scriptures have had a ghastly fulfillment, for one has put many more than 10,000 to flight and even to death.

We must in this hour give meaning to the deaths of those who gave their all that the world might have a peace—a just and righteous peace. There is no finer formula for world peace than the nearly 2,000-year-old Sermon on the Mount.

Things of the spirit our tools must be,
 Even as Paul built—so build we,
 Return, winds of America, return
 To the mothers of men.
 The clean scent of pine and of clover,
 Drive away the shrouding fog of war
 And reveal the Flag of Freedom
 Waving resplendent in the dawn!
 Then * * * winds of America, then
 Unstop your mightiest organ tones
 For the peoples of the world to sing again
 And drown in music the things they would forget.

Tonight, beloved Past Commander in Chief, mine is the honor and happy privilege to salute you with fraternal greetings and to present to you in behalf of our national order Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, our love gift—\$1,000.

Past Commander in Chief ROWND. I think it is a very high honor to accept this gift of \$1,000 to perpetuate the organization of the Grand Army of the Republic, and I do it with the greatest pleasure. I greatly appreciate the very beautiful language with which you expressed yourself. It has found a warm place in my heart. God bless your organization.

I want this organization to know that the Woman's Relief Corps pledged \$100,000 to be used in the interest of the Grand Army of the Republic and the armies of the United States, \$40,000 was used in the purchase of Government bonds, \$30,000 for the Red Cross, \$20,000 for ambulances for the use of the Second Army of the United States.

Chairman HERBERT. Comrade Rownd, I believe that you owe it to me to have a quiet conversation when this program is over, because I could have selected any other of the comrades to be up here. You are very fortunate. And Congressman Vorys, who is a lawyer in honest life, has indicated that he would like to examine those checks and pass upon their validity. But he said it takes him some time to make a complete examination of checks of that denomination.

Greetings from the Daughters of Union Veterans, through their national president, Mrs. Beatrice D. Manning. Here is another check.

Mrs. MANNING. Mr. Chairman, Past Commander Rownd, in behalf of the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War I would like to present to you and through you to the Grand Army, \$1,500 for your general fund; also a check of \$400 for your southern memorial fund—making a total of \$1,900 from your Daughters; and I hope that it will just bring you back to us many years more.

Past Commander in Chief ROWND. Thank you for the check which you present. I want this audience to know that I am willing to endorse these checks, because the money is already in the banks.

Chairman HERBERT. It is always safe to endorse checks under those circumstances. In my experience I have heard of some endorsements that were not so fortified.

It might be well, Past Commander Rownd, for some of us in this conference that we talked about to learn and discuss with some of the affiliated officials how to raise funds. I think that both parties

could use the ability that has been demonstrated here this evening in raising campaign funds.

Now the greetings from the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, by their commander in chief, Union W. Mackey. Have you got a check?

Commander in Chief MACKEY. Commander in Chief Rownd, our distinguished Governor Herbert, and our Congressman Vorys it has been very interesting to me here to hear our chairman pronounce that first name of mine. All over the northern part of the United States that has been mispronounced the last 12 months. That is *U*-rion.

As Chairman Herbert and Congressman Vorys have said, Ohio is a great State. I know Ohio is a great State. My mother came from here. My grandfather served in an Ohio regiment, born and raised up here in Fulton County by Wauseon.

As these checks have been handed in the thought that ran through my mind was loyalty, the loyalty that is back of the Grand Army of the Republic in every one of the camps and departments throughout our jurisdiction. It takes a lot of loyalty to raise the money that we have raised, and when I speak of loyalty I think of the words we so often say, "loyalty as exemplified by the Grand Army of the Republic."

The Union soldier or sailor of the War of the Rebellion should ever stir our hearts to greater love of country. The men who wore the Union blue constituted the grandest army that ever marched beneath one flag, and we, their flesh and blood, would be recreant sons of noble sires should we fail to revere their sacred memory.

The most glorious service borne by the Grand Army of the Republic was the placing of flowers upon the graves of their departed comrades; and when the last veteran shall have gone to meet his comrades on the other shore we, their sons and daughters, will on each Memorial Day strew the mounds beneath which rest their mortal forms with the flowers that grow in the land which they preserved for freedom.

And tonight, in behalf of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, it is my honor to present the Grand Army with a check for \$500, that they may have flowers in their fading years of life. [Applause.]

Past Commander in Chief ROWND. I have the pleasure to accept this check for \$500, and I will see that it is transmitted to the organization of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Chairman HERBERT. Thank you, *U*-rion. But I tell you now, and this is said in seriousness—a check of \$500 is a lot of money for anybody, but you fellows only raise \$500 when these women here raised \$1,500.

I do want to apologize to you, Mr. Mackey, for calling you *U*rion. I stand corrected. It is *U*-rion. But you referred to me as Congressman Herbert. Now that is a mistake that no amount of apology can erase, knowing Congressmen like I do.

Well, these are fine tributes of words, and these checks mean tributes of months and months of effort to raise them. The concluding greeting will be by the Auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans by their national President. Mrs. Edith Nile. Mrs. Nile.

Mrs. NILE. Mr. Chairman, my coworkers, and fellow citizens, we are happy tonight, I, especially, being a citizen of Ohio, that this convention could come to our State. I was happy to see again our

Commander in Chief Sharp, who went out with the cavalry from Ohio with our boys, and we claim him. Since he was unable to come tonight I am more than happy to have the privilege of standing beside a member of the Grand Army of the Republic, a Methodist, a good Republican, and an Ohioan.

We are happy that we could meet here in peace tonight, and I want to bring the greetings of the Auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. Now, Comrade Rownd, our duty is to assist the Sons of Union Veterans. So in behalf of my organization I want to present this check for \$500, and because we are the Auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans, that sort of swells their fund. So on behalf of our Auxiliary I want you to take that and use it in your organization.

Past Commander in Chief Rownd. Very happy indeed to accept it, and I want to assure you of the fact that I was born in the historic hills of Ohio.

Mrs. Nile. You know Ohio is very proud of the many Grand Army men in Ohio. Ohio has had the honor of having several Grand Army men who served as President of these United States. So I am more than happy to be a native of Ohio.

Past Commander in Chief Rownd. I was not aware of the fact that I was to perform this service until about 5 minutes before I came into this hall. I presume that the ones that selected me thought I was resourceful enough to take care of the case.

Chairman Herbert. Well, Bob, you are resourceful and fortunate. I don't think there is anyone in the audience that would not at least try to exercise resourcefulness when they have \$2,500 or \$3,000 worth of checks handed to them.

Past Commander in Chief Rownd. Five thousand.

Chairman Herbert. Well, what is a couple of thousand dollars?

Past Commander in Chief Rownd. Those that presented them will escort me to the hotel.

Chairman Herbert. Well, now, Bob, you have let the cat out of the bag when you say that the presenters of these checks are going to escort you—to see that the checks get there; is that the idea? I won't get to see you then.

Bob, we do want to thank you—yesterday, for the fine invocation that you gave without any warning, and this evening again, for substituting so ably for the commander in chief. And may I say this, Bob, that on your next birthday you will be 101 years old?

Past Commander in Chief Rownd. October 22.

Chairman Herbert. If any of us ever live as long as you have we will be mighty proud to be the man that you are, if we ever reach that age. You will be 101 on October 22, 1945?

Past Commander in Chief Rownd. 101, October 22, 1945. Will you permit me to make a statement?

Chairman Herbert. Certainly. You go right ahead. I want you to.

Past Commander in Chief Rownd. I am a member of five different organizations. There is not a member of any of those organizations, except the Grand Army of the Republic, that would ever leave his home to go to a convention after he was 90 years of age. There are only two men here tonight less than a hundred; and as long as they are able to walk or can get escorts they will be on the march as long as the Grand Army exists. [Applause.]

Chairman HERBERT. Then the first 90 years are not so bad, but it gets a little bit tough after that. I'll bet this, Bob, right now if you were in a Legion parade you could outmarch a lot of the boys in the American Legion.

Will the persons representing the various organizations here, or any one of you, please report to room 227 the presence of your organization and the approximate number who will take part in the parade Wednesday morning. Do it tomorrow, or as soon as possible—tonight or tomorrow morning. Report to room 227 your organization and the approximate numbers that will take part in the parade Wednesday morning. The grand marshal of the parade, Colonel Ward, must have that information in order to place the musical organizations and to arrange the other features of the parade.

And I might, if I may, here just pay a little tribute to the man that is responsible, more than anyone else, for the encampment coming to Columbus, and the man who, prior to the war, built Columbus up to, I think, the second convention city in the whole United States, and now is again maintaining that position and will continue. The man, I say, that made the encampment here possible is Joe Cross, of our convention bureau. Stand up, Mr. Cross. [Applause.]

We will be entertained by the Marine Corps Band.

(Music, United States Marine Band.)

Chairman HERBERT. Again we must express the feelings of all of us here, the appreciation and the gratefulness that is ours, for the marvelous and inspiring music we have heard from Captain Santelmann and his famous Marine Corps Band.

We are coming to the conclusion of another observance honoring the Grand Army, and all of us have been inspired, I think, to nobler purposes as citizens again as in memory we have reviewed what they have done for our common country.

We might combine the closing numbers. We will sing America and then the benediction will be pronounced by Father Leo R. Brehm of the Holy Cross Church. But as we stand to sing America will you not each of you be pleased to express to Captain Santelmann and his band your appreciation? [Applause.]

(America, sung by the audience.)

Father BREHM. In the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost. Amen.

Lord, make us instruments of your peace. Where there is hatred, let us sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; and where there is sickness, joy.

O Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console; not so much to be understood as to understand; not so much to be loved as to love; for it is in giving that we receive; it is in pardoning that we are pardoned; it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.

May the blessing of Almighty God, of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Ghost descend upon you and remain forever. In the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost. Amen.

(Whereupon, at 9:55 p. m., the audience was dismissed.)

**CAMPFIRE HELD IN MEMORIAL HALL, COLUMBUS, OHIO,
WEDNESDAY EVENING, OCTOBER 3, 1945, 8 P. M.**

Hon. Paul M. Herbert, chairman, committee on arrangements, presiding.

Chairman HERBERT. I understand, members of the Grand Army of the Republic, due to an emergency call that former Governor Bricker received, it was necessary for him to be in Pittsburgh this evening. So we will be denied the pleasure of hearing one of the foremost orators, one of the finest men, in the United States.

But Captain Santlemann, leader of the United States Marine Corps Band, has helped out in the emergency. The program has been re-arranged so that we will have a concert by the band. There will be a dedication to the Grand Army and other numbers before the famous Marine Corps Band concludes the concert. So that all in all I believe we are going to have a most excellent, inspiring, and patriotic program. But no matter how fine it may be it will fall short of our real feeling of gratitude and respect for the members of the Grand Army of the Republic.

We will now have the invocation, by the Reverend W. Arthur Milne, pastor of the First Methodist Church.

Reverend Mr. MILNE. We bow our heads in prayer, Almighty God, our Father and the Father of all mankind. We bow in recognition of Thy power and dominion over all life. We give Thee thanks this night for the providences which have led us in the past and pray Thy continued blessing upon us the days ahead.

Look with favor upon these, Thy servants; imbue them with Thy spirit of wisdom and service; strengthen us for the tasks that lie ahead. Rule our hearts and bless our endeavors that law and order, justice, and peace may everywhere prevail.

Graciously bless with Thy favor this assembly and the activities of this group. Make us strong and great in the fear of God and in the love of righteousness, so that being blessed by Thee we as a Nation and this people may become a blessing to all mankind. And to Thee be the praise and the glory. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

(Music, United States Marine Band.)

Chairman HERBERT. You all agree that the band is entitled to just a little recess, and then presently they will be back with more intellectual food and cultural nourishment.

As a tribute to the members of the Grand Army, Miss June Wynters has arranged a dedication to the Grand Army of the Republic.

Miss WYNTERS. Honor our heroes.

Good evening, friends and neighbors and folks from near and far,
All honor to our heroes, the dear old GAR,
And the United States Marine Band. Boys, we are glad that you are here.
A Junetime welcome to you [rose-petal shower] in the Autumn of the year.

We are gathered here in Ohio, a State well known to fame,
Where everyone is sociable; they call you by your name.
Hello, Frank. [Governor.] There's John M. back from Washington. [Congressman.]

Hiyah, Paul. [Chairman.] Isaac is here. [Commander in Chief.] Robert is going strong. [Chaplain in chief.]

Jimmie, hooray. [Mayor.] Did you hear Joe say [Secretary, convention bureau]:

"Columbus is our capital, a city hard to beat,
Where we hold conventions and parade upon the street,
With fine accommodations that are known throughout the land,
When you are in Columbus you are surely treated grand."

Hats off! Along the line there comes one of our own Columbus' sons, John W. Bricker.

Again I say, honor our heroes of today,
The hero of yesterday, Chris Columbus, sailed away
Across the open sea and found American for you and me.
Ahoy! to each sailor boy on the U. S. S. *Columbus*, sail on and on,
As did our boy Ernest J. King of Ohio, the welkin rings
With praises of him, King among kings. [Fleet Admiral E. J. King, of Lorain, Ohio, commander in chief of our Navy.]

So honor all our heroes in coats of every hue,
Mid battles roar in every war, loyal, staunch and true.

Honor our heroes, the dear old GAR,
Whose fathers' fathers' fathers fought and won the Revolutionary War.

[Enter two ladies carrying a Colonial flag.]

Heroes of 1776—they have nicknamed it Old Glory as it floats upon the breeze,
Rich in legend, song, and story on the land and on the seas. [Exeunt.]

Honor our heroes, the dear old GAR, whose fathers' father won for you and me
The freedom of the sea.

Heroes of 1812! Anchors aweigh, we will sail at break of day.

[Enter two ladies carrying a white anchor with red and white cords.]

I shield my eyes and trembling gaze into a sea of murky haze,

'Tis the Star-Spangled Banner, "long may it wave
O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave." [Exeunt.]

Honor our heroes of the dear old GAR,
Our Boys in Blue who fought and won our U. S. Civil War.

Heroes of 1861! When war winged its wide desolation and threatened our land
to deform.

[Enter two ladies carrying a framed roll, sash, badges, gold cords.]

A military register of a lieutenant from Wheeling, W. Va. [My father.]

A captain's sash from Mount Pleasant, Iowa. [My grandfather.]

An 1885 Cavalry Reunion badge, Company K. [My grandfather.]

"Every years the flags above them seem to bend and bless and love them,
As if grieving for the future when they'll never march again." [Exeunt.]

Honor our heroes, the dear old GAR,

Whose patriot sons fought and won the Spanish-American War,

Heroes of 1898! [Enter two ladies carrying shield, sword, belt with buckle.]

May God be their shield, may Truth be their buckler, His sword they shall wield.
With hearts full of courage to dare and to do, to God and our country they're
loyal and true. [Exeunt.]

Honor our heroes, the dear old GAR,

Whose sons of their sons fought and won our First World War,

Heroes of 1917!

[Enter five ladies carrying a 50-year-old immense flag with ropes.]

Over there, over there, send the news over there,

The Yanks are coming—the Yank-ees are coming over there.

We pledge our country, our hearts, our hands, our noblest services at her
demands,

Her wondrous story, her spreading glory yet shall fulfill heaven's high commands.
[Exeunt.]

Honor our heroes, the dear old GAR, whose sons of their sons and great grand-
sons

Fought and won at our country's call

The late war of the nations when the bombs began to fall

In vengeance on Japan. Man to man, they won. Heroes of 1941!

[Enter a young man carrying a flag floating from a staff.]

Uncle Sam, we love our glorious banner, Freedom's gift to all her patriot sons.
 Won by heroes in our Nation's battles. Won by the courage of our men behind
 the guns. [Audience rose.] [Exit.]

[Enter a lady carrying a silk flag crushed in her hands, followed by a lady
 carrying tenderly a magnolia everlasting wreath.]

Naught but a flag, yet it is bathed in tears;

It tells of triumphs, of hopes and fears;

Silent it speaks, as we think of our heroes that are not forgot. [Exit the first lady.]

Their flag came home but they came not,

Yet dying they blest it, and blessing it they died. [Exit the second lady.]

Millions, millions have died for it

On land, in air, on sea.

[Bringing small flags from sash and waving them in both hands.]

Some were rich and some were poor, and brave as brave can be.

Then honor heroes all in coats of every hue,

'Mid battles' roar, in every war, loyal, staunch, and true.

[Applause.]

Chairman HERBERT. For a moment I thought that second burst
 of applause was for me, but I find that I am mistaken. [Applause.]

Thank you, Miss Wynters, for that splendid tribute not only to the
 Grand Army but to all of the soldier dead of the wars of our country.

We are to be favored now with one of the outstanding musical
 organizations of Columbus, Charlotte Gamble's accordion band. Miss
 Gamble.

(Selection, accordion band.)

Chairman HERBERT. Thank you, Miss Gamble, and the drummer.
 Years and years ago we used to have lads like that they called the
 Drummer Boy of Shiloh.

Now we come to a place in the program that is quite serious and
 one of the traditions of the Grand Army of the Republic, and that is
 the presenting of the Commander's medal to the retiring Commander
 in Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic. One of the veterans
 who can fill in wherever he is needed and called upon is Bob Rownd,
 formerly of Columbus, Ohio. He lived here 45 years ago, former
 postmaster of Columbus, was in private business here in Columbus in
 those days where private competition was encouraged, was vice presi-
 dent of the Buckeye Steel & Gas Co., and is now a resident, I believe,
 of Boston, isn't it—Rhode Island? And we are going to ask Bob to
 give the presentation talk and present the medal, and ask Mrs. Smith,
 the national president of the Woman's Relief Corps to actually pin
 the medal upon Commander Sharp. All right, Bob.

Past Commander in Chief ROWND. I am pleased to announce that
 Boston is just a suburb of Columbus. I have been delegated to per-
 form a very precious service. It is the presentation of a badge that
 I am to honor the commander in chief of the Grand Army of the
 Republic with—a man who was inspired with the spirit of patriotism
 of the Grand Army of the Republic, who enlisted in 1861 in the First
 Ohio Cavalry, and the service which he rendered during the period of
 the Civil War from 1861 was a glorious service and appreciated by not
 only the State of Ohio but this greatest of all nations, the American
 people. It is my pleasure to present this badge to the president of
 the Woman's Corps. She represents one of the organizations upon
 the map of life which we of the Nation appreciate for the service which
 they have rendered to this great Nation of ours.

(Mrs. Smith pins the badge upon the coat of the commander in
 chief.)

Chairman HERBERT. Thank you so much. Mrs. Laura Smith, national president of the Woman's Relief Corps, has just pinned the badge presented by Comrade Rownd upon the lapel of Commander in Chief Sharp. Mrs. Manning, of the Daughters of Union Veterans, on behalf of her organization will present Commander Sharp with a cup. Mrs. Manning.

Mrs. MANNING. Commander in Chief Sharp, you were not here the other night to receive our loving cup from your Daughters, and it gives me great pleasure to present to you this loving cup to be placed in your home, always remembering that your Daughters gave it to you. [Applause].

Chairman HERBERT. That was a very pretty presentation, Mrs. Manning, and congratulations to you, Commander Sharp.

Out in Oregon the department commander of the Grand Army is also the national patriotic instructor of the order. He is with us this evening, and I am going to ask Theodore A. Penland if he won't come up to the platform.

Now you will notice that Comrade Penland has a great number of ribbons and badges. The true story of how he received those this afternoon is this, that he was making some observations to the ladies and they appreciated it so much that they pinned these ribbons upon him. In other words, he still appreciates charm and beauty as represented by American womanhood. Now he has a little song he sang, I think it was last year at one of the occasions. It is very popular, so we persuaded and prevailed upon him to do it again on this occasion.

(Comrade Penland then sang Grandfather's Clock, receiving hearty applause.)

Chairman HERBERT. A few months ago, before the close of the war, at the launching of a ship out in Portland, Commander Penland gave a composition that he himself prepared, and we have asked him if he won't give that here tonight. Will you do that?

Comrade PENLAND. I had a special invitation to the launching of this ship, and I had a little over two weeks' time before the date to be there. Most always wherever I go they ask me to get up and say something, which I try to do the best I can. I composed this myself, and I will try to relate it to you the best I can:

God speed and guide this ship to victory for America. As you sail the ocean far and wide may you be a sailing memory dedicated to the wars of the past and the war of the present day, to both those dead and living.

I only wish that my age and health would permit me to accompany this ship on the high seas, but as that is impossible I am glad to know that the flag that I love and fought for will wave over this ship to victory, the flag that has never known defeat, and with God's guidance it never shall.

Dear Flag, wave on and on to victory. The flag of my country, devoutly I love it. I love its Stars and Stripes, and its square field of Blue. The everlasting mountains and the blue sky above it are enshrined in my soul as a part of it too.

When you were a schoolboy did you ever turn and feel that swelling in your heart that should forever and ever remain? Pearl Harbor, yes, Pearl Harbor, like the wars of the past and the war of today, will go down in history never, no, never, to be forgotten. Pearl Harbor!

[Applause.]

Chairman HERBERT. You may have thought he was reading. You noticed, if he was, at the age of 98, he doesn't wear glasses. But he

was not reading. He was reciting that, as well as Grandfather's Clock, from memory—a remarkable example of American manhood.

One of the veterans here remarked that America has never lost a war and will never lose a peace. [Applause.]

And again the United States Marine Corps Band.

(Music, United States Marine Band.)

Chairman HERBERT. We have again reached the end of the last session of the Grand Army encampment that will be held in this hall. Tomorrow morning the Grand Army will hold its election of officers for the ensuing year. They are always looking ahead. This is the seventy-ninth annual encampment. When these men began their annual encampments most of us here in this room had not yet been born. We hope and we pray that God will spare a sufficient number of the veterans of the Grand Army that next year they may hold their eightieth annual encampment. [Applause.]

The Grand Army veterans and their affiliated organizations have been most kind to Columbus. You have honored us again by privileging Columbus to be your host. We have tried to act in every way to meet that responsibility. We want to express the appreciation of the general committee to the entire citizenship of Columbus for all the help that has been extended. We want to thank the newspapers for the kindly attention that has been given to the encampment by the press. We want to thank the broadcasting companies for the splendid aid that has been given by keeping listeners on the radio apprised of the events as they have transpired.

We want to thank everyone, and particularly the Marine Band and its great leader, Captain Santelmann. [Applause.] I wish that the Grand Army had started a number of years ago to hold all their conventions in Columbus, so that we would have had the band with us every year. [Applause.] Tomorrow morning at 8 o'clock the band will leave the Deshler Hotel and will play a 20-minute concert at each of the six high schools of Columbus. [Applause.] Captain Santelmann would have been perfectly willing to include other concerts except that there was only 24 hours in one day. But the band in every way has been most gracious. There has not been any favor asked or any exertion requested but what they have very willingly and happily placed themselves at the services of the Grand Army and this community. And remember this, the United States Marine Corps is always at the service of the United States of America as well. [Applause.]

The benediction will be pronounced by Rabbi Harry Kaplan, and at its conclusion the band will give its rendition of that most beautiful of all Army calls, Taps.

Rabbi KAPLAN. May we all rise, please? Almighty Father, God of all mankind, we thank Thee for the inspiration of this hour, for the fellowship and strength which we have gathered from this mighty convention. We are grateful for the noble men who have served our country in the great struggles to keep it free, who have fought to preserve our liberties, who have been vigilant in defense of our freedoms. Help us, O God, to be worthy of their sacrifices, to translate into peace the efforts which they made in war, to build a democracy worthy of our noble heritage, and to lay strong the foundations of a country hallowed by the blood of our pioneers, our soldiers, our heroes.

Help us to place the interest of country above party, the hope of nations above class. Aid us to translate the American dream of justice, peace, and security, that all men may live under their own vine and fig tree, pursuing the ways of peace, building a life dedicated to the brotherhood of man.

Thou, O Lord, art our guide and leader. May we learn to do justly, to love mercy, to walk humbly in Thy sight.

Bless those who gather in Thy service. God grant that they may return strengthened in body and soul. Rededicate them to the great task of keeping America one land, united in brotherhood and dedicated to the ideals of one humanity. Reaffirm the quest of decency, justice, and truth. Amen.

(Taps, United States Marine Band. (10:17 p. m.))

APPRECIATION BY THE GOVERNOR

The following account of the reception held at the statehouse on Tuesday evening, October 1, 1945, is taken from the Ohio State Journal of the following morning:

Eight veterans attended last night a reception in the statehouse rotunda.

Speaking before a crowd of more than 2,500, Governor Lausche paid tribute to the veterans:

"I want to extend a welcome to the veterans of the Grand Army of the Republic. Through their sacrifices and gallantry we are still permitted to live as free citizens."

Other State officials present included Secretary of State Edward Hummel, Lt. Gov. George D. Nye, Attorney General Hugh S. Jenkins, Judge Frank W. Geiger of the court of appeals, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court Carl V. Weygandt, and Supreme Court Judges Charles Zimmerman, William L. Hart, Edward S. Mathias, and Charles E. Bell.

THE PARADE

The following accounts of the parade held on Wednesday morning, October 3, 1945, are taken from the Columbus papers:

[From the Columbus Evening Dispatch, October 3, 1945]

"MINE EYES HAVE SEEN THE GLORY" * * * "TRUTH IS MARCHING ON"

*"Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming of the Lord,
He is trampling out the vintage where the grapes of wrath are stored;
He hath loosed the fateful lightning of His terrible swift sword,
His truth is marching on."*

(By Carl Ebricht)

Those stirring words of the Battle Hymn of the Republic were on the lips of every spectator as the famous 82-piece United States Marine Band paraded up High Street Wednesday with 14 proud old men—veterans of the Grand Army of the Republic.

The veterans, each more than 96 years old and unable to march as in former years, rode in open cars, led by their commander in chief, Isaac W. Sharp, 97, of Warsaw, Ind.

Even Robert Rownd, 100, of Ripley, N. Y., past commander of the GAR, got into the spirit of the song played by the Marine Band. Wearing a frock coat and a broad smile, he commented:

"It pays to be on the side of the Almighty."

Mr. Rownd, who will celebrate his one hundred and first birthday October 21, and who came to Columbus from New York alone, was Sunday school superintendent at the Broad Street Methodist Church in Columbus for many years.

Occasionally the cars would stop along the parade route and each time the spectators applauded the veterans would give a sharp salute and smile. It was their day, and they were making the most of it.

This was probably the last GAR parade that ever will be held in Columbus. There is some talk that it may be the last encampment, but as Mr. Rownd asserted:

"As long as they are able members will be on the march for meetings of the GAR."

The veterans will attend their annual campfire at Memorial Hall Wednesday night, with former Gov. John W. Bricker as the principal speaker.

The parade, one of the shortest in years, was headed by the famous 82-piece United States Marine Band. The veterans followed, and then came the Sons of Veterans, the Fort Hayes Band, a marching unit from the Navy installation at Port Columbus, the Franklin Post Band, the Columbus Nomad Patrol, and three Army "ducks."

For the first time James K. P. Barker, 98, of 1635 South High Street, Columbus, only surviving GAR member, did not march in the parade. He said he "just couldn't take it."

Several years ago he was the only marching veteran in the parade, but was forced to retire before reaching the end of the route.

Ira Stormes, 99, of Salt Lake City, was confined to a wheel chair at convention headquarters in the Deshler-Wallick Hotel, but he saw the parade and commented: "A fine parade but not enough of it."

Mr. Stormes was injured when he fell on a train en route to Columbus. The other injured veteran, Fred Pfiester, 100, of Cincinnati, who fell in a bathtub several days ago, was able to participate in the parade.

From his seat in a bright convertible, Hiram Gale, 99, of Seattle, Wash., who is in line for commander in chief of the GAR next year by virtue of his present office, vice commander, told a reporter: "It isn't good to keep those old fellows out in the wind."

He apparently wasn't worrying about himself because he is in "condition" for the ordeal. He walks eight blocks every day to his real estate office, puts in 8 hours, and then walks home.

Col. George Ward, grand marshal of the parade, and his staff, followed the Marine Band in the line of march.

[From the Columbus Citizen, October 3, 1945]

THRONGS CHEER GAR VETERANS PARADING HERE—AUTOS TAKE 13 HEROES TO
REVIEWING STAND AS MARCHERS PAY HONOR

(By Ben Hayes)

Ira Stormes, 99, commander of the Utah department of the Grand Army of the Republic, sat beside a Broad and High window, tapping his cane in time with the music.

The music that has never failed to thrill Commander Stormes floated up to his Deshler-Wallick Hotel window from the last Grand Army parade ever to move up High Street.

Not a comrade marched. Thirteen of Commander Stormes' comrades rode in open autos. They were bundled in overcoats, their throats wrapped in woolen mufflers.

RIDES FOLDED AUTO TOP

Commander in Chief Isaac W. Sharp, 97, of Warsaw, Ind., who rode in the first car with the gold and blue of the Grand Army headquarters flag fluttering above him, was lifted to the folded top of the auto by a husky State highway patrolman.

There, in High Street before the reviewing stand, a gray blanket across his lap, Commander Sharp reviewed his parade.

This was the feature of the parade, so short in comparison with the hours of marchers that flowed up the same street in 1888.

The Civil War veterans, their ages 96 to 102, were the honored. The parade was halted until their autos could be parked in front of the reviewing stand.

MARINE BAND SALUTE

Across the street, the United States Marine Band, resplendent in blue, scarlet, and gold, were giving the comrades a magnificent salute. The giant drum major swung his band into the Neil House entrance, counter-marched to salute the Grand Army across the street.

Then the parade went on. Watching it from other cars to Commander Sharp's left were all of this encampment's muster—except Utah Commander Stormes, who remained indoors.

The cheering hundreds who clapped hands and waved in the bright but cool sunlight, saw the black derby of Robert M. Rownd, 100, Ripley, N. Y.

COMRADES IN LINE

In black campaign hats were Orlando LeValley, 97, Caro, Mich.; Hiram R. Gale, 99, Seattle, Wash.; William H. Osborn, 102, of Joplin, Mo.; Hiram H. Shumate, 96, of Riverton, Ill.; Theodore Penland, 96, of Portland, Oreg.; John C. Adams, Jonesboro, Ind., and John M. Gudgel, Shenadoah, Iowa.

The Ohioans rode in the last car. The representatives of Ohio's remaining 12 comrades were John R. Bennett, 100, Waynesfield; Frederick Pfiester, 100, Cincinnati; Commander John H. Grate, 100, Atwater, and James K. Polk, Barker, 98, of 1635 South High Street, Columbus' only Civil War veteran.

Comrade Bennett wore a gray suit, his gray hat at a jaunty angle. Mr. Pfiester wore an eye shade to fend off the cool breezes. Commander Grate was in neat deep blue.

SALUTED MARCHING SONS

Comrade Barker, a plaid scarf above his overcoat collar, waved his cane with a small American flag attached, to the Sons of Union Veterans as they strode by.

"The parade was just dandy," Comrade Barker said.

This was the first one he ever rode in. Always he had marched.

(Also with the Ohio comrades rode Rev. N. J. Borden, 76, of Chicago, member of the Sons of Union Veterans. His presence led many to believe all 14 veterans were in the parade.)

But Commander Stormes was in encampment headquarters, second floor of the Deshler-Wallick.

He disagreed with Comrade Barker.

NOT LIKE OLD DAYS

"The parade was too short. Nothing like the old days. It used to take hours for us to go by," Commander Stormes said.

Then he had another thought. He would have liked to have been in it.

"It would have been longer if I had been out there," he said.

His third thought was directed to Mary H. Schnell, his department secretary. He told her he wished they were back home in Salt Lake City.

THRILLS TO BAND

Commander Stormes heard the Marine Band long before it reached his eyes. The strains of * * * From the Halls of Montezuma * * * came, then drums.

The Marine brass broke out the Battle Hymn of the Republic. Commander Stormes' cane rapped the beat upon the floor. Here was his music for almost a century. * * * "Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming of the Lord * * * for His truth goes marching on. * * *"

OTHER VETS MARCH

Col. George M. Ward, parade marshal and most of his staff in the khaki of this war, led the way. Paul M. Herbert, encampment chairman, was in civilian clothes. One man wore the American Legion blue.

The Marine Band boomed behind them. Next came the 13 veterans. Then the Sons of Veterans. They had martial music behind them, too. The Fort Hayes band. Then First Division of the Ohio State Naval Militia and Franklin Post American Legion band.

DRILL TEAM IN LINE

The band was followed by women in purple, gold and white satin. This was the Santha drill team of the Nomads, a Knights of Pythias affiliate.

That was all. Commander Stormes was right: a short parade it was.

This was the high point of the fourth national GAR encampment in Columbus, under a rich blue sky, temperature in the forties. Governor Lausche and other notables filled the reviewing stand.

Many of them recalled Comrade Jacob Meeker, 99, of Valparaiso, Ind., among the veterans who marched in the diamond jubilee parade of 1941.

RECALL 1941 MARCH

It was a hot September day, one of the hottest of the summer. Comrade Meeker, tall and sparse, sought the shade and a bottle of orange pop.

"This is my last parade. I've marched 25 years now without missing a one. I'll never march again," Comrade Meeker said.

Comrade Meeker went home, a day later he died.

The parade of the 1919 encampment was in the rain. The weather for 1888—well, the boys were so full of vinegar in those days, weather was something that concerned the old folks, not them.

CAMPFIRE TONIGHT

Tonight in Memorial Hall the comrades will hold their campfire. John W. Bricker will speak. The public is invited.

The years between this campfire and the Sunday morning breakfast fires in the Tennessee peach orchard when the rebels came up in surprise at Shiloh explains why America today has but 162 Grand Army veterans.

[Editorial, Ohio State Journal, October 4, 1945]

FADING RANKS OF BLUE

It was a real privilege for Columbus to be permitted to play host to the seventy-ninth annual encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic. The honor guests numbered only 14, representing the handful of veterans of the Civil War still able to travel and participate in functions of this type.

These men, each a veteran of the war which preserved the Union, have lived through three wars in which our Nation has since engaged. But had they not won the victory of '65, who knows how this country would have stood in the two world wars that have been so disastrous to the progress of civilization? Certainly we would have been a nation divided; perhaps, as Lincoln said, "half slave, half free." Their valor at arms prevented that. Every homage is due them for saving what Washington was instrumental in building.

This year's parade saw the 14 veterans in blue ride in automobiles. The fife and drum corps of other years, with the veterans themselves doing the piping and the drum thumping, was missing. But the spirit of the occasion was not dimmed.

The ranks of blue are fading and the bugles are muted. "Only a few more twilights for the wavering ranks and thin, then night and the banners folded, and the sabers gathered in." It is 80 years since these veterans fought their last battle and were mustered out. Not many have lived so long or can look back on such glorious achievements. May they all live to meet again.

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GENERAL ORDERS
No. 1
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HEADQUARTERS, GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,
Warsaw, Ind., October 25, 1944.

I. Having been elected commander in chief by the seventy-eighth national encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic, and installed, I hereby assume command.

II. Headquarters of the Grand Army of the Republic are established in room 16, High School Building, Warsaw, Ind., where all official communications should be addressed to the adjutant general.

III. The following appointments are hereby announced: Adjutant general: Russell C. Martin, Los Angeles, Calif. Quartermaster general: John C. Adams, room 328, State House, Indianapolis, Ind.

IV. Further appointments will be announced in future general orders.

ISAAC W. SHARP, *Commander in Chief.*

GENERAL ORDERS
No. 2
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NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS,
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,
ROOM 16, HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING,
Warsaw, Ind., February 17, 1945.

I. At the seventy-eighth national encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic, held in Des Moines, Iowa, September 10-15, 1944, the following-named comrades were elected to the offices designated below:

Commander in Chief: Isaac W. Sharp, Warsaw, Ind.

Senior vice commander in chief: John M. Gudgel, Shenandoah, Iowa.

Junior vice commander in chief: Hiram R. Gale, Seattle, Wash.

Chaplain in chief: Martin J. Warner, Grand Rapids, Mich.

NATIONAL COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION

California and Nevada: John W. Smith, Santa Cruz, Calif.

Colorado and Wyoming: Robert F. Bryan, Boulder, Colo.

Connecticut: Charles Douglas, New Haven, Conn.

Delaware: Isaiah Fassett, Berlin, Md.

Florida: Logan J. Dyke, Union City, Pa.

Idaho: Israel A. Broadsword, Samuels, Idaho.

Illinois: William P. Lockwood, Kankakee, Ill.

Indiana: John F. Smith, Marion, Ind.

Iowa: John P. Martin, Sutherland, Iowa.

Kansas: Alonzo McMurphy, Sterling, Kans.

Kentucky: Robert Barrett, Sr., Princeton, Ky.

Maine: George H. Jones, Oxford, Maine.

Massachusetts: George A. Gay, Nashua, N. H.

Michigan: Orlando H. LeValley, Caro, Mich.

Minnesota: Albert Woolson, Duluth, Minn.

Missouri: William H. Osborn, Joplin, Mo.

Nebraska: R. E. Coleman, Lincoln, Nebr.

New Hampshire: Lyman E. Butterfield, Manchester, N. H.

New Jersey: William H. Perrine, North Plainfield, N. J.

New York: Frank E. Cooley, Rensselaer, N. Y.

Ohio: Lewis M. Hieston, Pleasantville, Ohio.

Oklahoma: E. H. Sawyer, Minco, Okla.

Oregon: T. A. Penland, Portland, Oreg.

Pennsylvania: Alfred W. Gabrio, Hazleton, Pa.

Utah: Ira Stormes, Salt Lake City, Utah.

Washington and Alaska: S. B. Tift, Everett, Wash.

Wisconsin: H. Alexander, Baraboo, Wis.

II. The following appointments on the staff of the commander in chief were announced:

Adjutant general: Russell C. Martin, Los Angeles, Calif.

Quartermaster general: William H. Ferguson, Kent City, Mich.

National Patriotic Instructor: Theodore A. Penland, Portland, Oreg.

National Chief of Staff: William P. Lockwood, Kankakee, Ill.

III. Miss Katharine R. A. Flood, Newton, Mass., was unanimously reelected national secretary.

IV. National headquarters of the Grand Army of the Republic are established in room 16, Senior High School Building, Warsaw, Ind., where all official communications to the commander in chief and adjutant general should be addressed.

V. The executive committee of the national council of administration will consist of the commander in chief, senior vice commander in chief, adjutant general, quartermaster general, and three members appointed from the department representatives on the national council of administration. The following comrades are appointed members of the executive committee to serve with the officers named:

George H. Jones, Oxford, Maine.

R. E. Coleman, Lincoln, Nebr.

Orlando H. LeValley, Caro, Mich.

VI. It was voted to accept the invitation of Columbus, Ohio, to hold the 79th National Encampment in that city.

VII. Comrade John C. Adams, 328 State House, Indianapolis, Ind., is appointed quartermaster general, vice Comrade William H. Ferguson, deceased. All requisitions for supplies, with remittances therefor, must be sent to Comrade John C. Adams at the above address. Drafts, checks, and money orders should be made payable to National Grand Army of the Republic. Do not send stamps.

VIII. Comrade George H. Jones is appointed trustee of the permanent fund, vice Comrade A. T. Anderson, deceased.

IX. The following amendments to the rules and regulations were adopted:

Chapter II, article I, section 2, changed to read:

"No charter shall be surrendered by any post as long as one member desires continuance of a post, but this shall not deprive the national encampment of the right to take a charter from a post, when it is deemed best for the good of the order."

Chapter IV, article IV, section 2: Eliminate "surgeon general" and "inspector general."

Chapter IV, article VI, section 1, paragraph 2: Eliminate "an assistant adjutant general."

Chapter IV, article VI, section 1, add a third paragraph, to read:

"In case all officers of a department should die, the commander in chief may appoint a department commander to serve until the meeting of the next department encampment."

Chapter IV, article VI, section 9: Eliminate "and 10 members shall constitute a quorum," and insert in lieu thereof "and any member present shall constitute a quorum."

X. Assistant adjutants general are requested to forward promptly to national headquarters notice of death of any permanent member of the national encampment in their respective departments, with date of death, military record, and Grand Army service, for publication in general orders.

XI. Assistant adjutants general are requested to forward to national headquarters, immediately after the receipt of these orders, the department roster, the journal of the last department encampment, if not already sent, and all general orders which may be issued during the year.

XII. Information has reached the commander in chief that individuals are claiming to represent the Grand Army of the Republic in States where the Grand Army of the Republic has no members. The national encampment has repeatedly stated that when the last member in a post or department dies, the organization in that State is dead, and no one can claim to represent it or to assume

any authority over any of the allied orders. Further, if the last post, or the department, has any funds or property, such funds or property should be immediately transferred to national headquarters.

XIII. Frequently the statement has been publicly made that the Grand Army of the Republic has designated some organization as its heir to carry on the work of the Grand Army. This is not true. The national encampment has refused to name any organization as its heir, and it is hoped that the persons making such statements will cease.

XIV. The following resolutions were adopted:

"Whereas the Grand Army of the Republic is meeting in its national encampment for the fifth time in the city of Des Moines, Iowa; be it

"Resolved, That we express our thanks and appreciation to the officials of the State of Iowa and the city of Des Moines for their wonderful hospitality; to the military forces of the Nation and State; to all veterans' organizations; to the members of civic and fraternal societies; to the Boy Scouts; to the clergymen, speakers, and talent at our various public meetings; to the personnel of the hotels; to the staff of the Coliseum and the Shrine Temple; to the radio stations and the press for the generous time and space allotted encampment activities; to the art teachers of the Des Moines schools for their gifts; and be it further

"Resolved, That we tender our thanks to the President of the United States and to the Congress for allowing the Marine Band to attend and contribute to our entertainment, and we thank most sincerely Capt. William F. Santelmann and the members of the Marine Band for their generous proffer of music on all occasions; to Gen. Frank T. Hines, Administrator of Veterans' Affairs, for his greetings, and to Mr. W. B. Nugent, manager of the veterans' facility in Des Moines, and the personnel of the hospital for their attention to and interest in the comfort of our comrades; and be it further

"Resolved, That we express our deep gratitude to Gen. Guy E. Logan, chairman; Arthur H. Brayton, secretary of the convention bureau, and Miss Katherine Moody, assistant secretary, and to all their associates on the committee for their splendid entertainment, and especially do we commend them for the consideration and respect shown all our comrades."

XV. At the semiofficial meeting of the seventy-eighth national encampment on Monday evening, September 11, 1944, the national encampment received the following gifts to help this administration carry on its work during the coming year: National Woman's Relief Corps, \$1,000; Ladies of the GAR, \$1,000; Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, \$1,000; Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, \$500; Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, \$500, and an additional \$400 from the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, for the Southern Memorial Fund. The members of the Grand Army of the Republic are deeply grateful to these members of the Grand Army family for their loyal support and aid in carrying on the organization with dignity.

XVI. At the reception tendered your commander in chief in Indianapolis, Ind., December 9, 1944, Mrs. Laura I. Smith, national president, Woman's Relief Corps, presented to him \$500 for the Southern Memorial Fund. We are grateful for this gift, which makes it possible to carry on our usual work in the South this year.

XVII. Christmas greetings were received as usual from President Franklin D. Roosevelt and Gen. Frank T. Hines, Administrator of Veterans' Affairs, but did not reach the secretary in time to send to departments before the holidays. They will be published in the journal.

XVIII. Since 1942, there has been difficulty in the Department of Minnesota, and in 1943, at the national encampment in Milwaukee, the comrade most concerned, Past Department Commander Orrin S. Pierce, voluntarily offered to surrender the charter of his post and become a member-at-large of his department. This offer was made in the meeting of the national council of administration and the council voted to recommend to the national encampment that this offer be accepted. The national encampment so voted, the comrade making the offer present and assenting. However, immediately after the comrade returned home he repudiated the agreement made and, in January 1944, sent an affidavit "rescinding" his agreement made in the national encampment, forgetting that all parties to an agreement must agree if it is to be "rescinded."

Affairs reached such a state that in February Commander in Chief Jones referred the matter to a past department commander of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, a Judge of the Superior Court of Maine, for advice as to legality of any action to be taken. Matters finally became so bad, on March 16, Commander in Chief Jones suspended the comrade until such time as he should keep his promise or appear in the national encampment to plead this case. He did not appear but his appeal from the action of Commander in Chief Jones was considered at great length. The majority of the comrades in the 1944 national encampment were present and voted in the 1943 national encampment and were familiar with the case.

The seventy-eighth national encampment voted to sustain the action of Commander in Chief Jones and further voted that Comrade Pierce should remain suspended until he kept his promise given in the seventy-seventh national encampment, and also surrendered to the headquarters of the Department of Minnesota the books and records of Morgan Post.

Since there is now no member of the Grand Army of the Republic who is an attorney, we have no judge advocate general. During the seventy-eighth national encampment in Des Moines, Iowa, Attorney James H. Willett, son of Past Commander in Chief and Past Judge Advocate General James W. Willett, responded to the appeal of Commander in Chief Jones and remained in the national headquarters hotel from Monday to Thursday, studying all of the correspondence in the case since the trouble began in 1942 and then gave his advice on legal action to be taken. Lawsuits are still being prosecuted in Minnesota and Mr. Willett is representing your commander in chief in defending the right of the national encampment as the supreme law-making body of the order to take the action it did.

XIX. The commander in chief appreciated all the messages and gifts which came to him for Christmas and during his serious illness and thanks everyone who remembered him on both occasions.

XX. Your commander in chief appreciates the honor given him by his comrades in electing him commander in chief. He promises a just and dignified administration.

By command of

RUSSELL C. MARTIN,
Adjutant General.

ISAAC W. SHARP,
Commander in Chief.

IN MEMORIAM

Since the seventy-eighth national encampment the following comrades have been mustered out:

Past Commander in Chief A. T. Anderson, September 15, 1944.

Quartermaster General William H. Ferguson, September 25, 1944.

Past Commander in Chief George A. Gay, December 15, 1944.

The sympathy of the members of the Grand Army of the Republic is extended to Past Commander in Chief Robert M. Rownd in the loss of his youngest son, Robert M. Rownd, Jr., October 17, 1944; and to Adjutant General and Past Commander in Chief Russell C. Martin, in the loss of his only son, Norman, December 5, 1944.

Full in memoriam notices will appear for all deceased permanent members of the national encampment in future general orders.

GENERAL ORDERS
No. 3
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NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS,
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,
Room 16, High School Building,
Warsaw, Ind., April 16, 1945.

1. In accordance with the rules and regulations of the Grand Army of the Republic, Wednesday, May 30, will be observed as Memorial Day.

"Bring floral tributes rare, and thus we'll teach
The children all, throughout our land so great,
To honor those who for their country strove.
These tributes, too, will e'en a sermon preach
To all the world around, that love, not hate,
Dwells in our hearts, and grace from God above."

II. May the graves of all Civil War veterans be decorated with flowers, and let the flag under which they once fought, wave over them. Let flowers be cast upon the ocean and inland waters in memory of those who served in the Navy.

"Blow soft, O winds, around them with your freighted sweet and balm.
And the rhythm of your numbers, flowing into psalm and song
Says the Nation's heart is keeping, in its silent deeps aglow,
All the sacred recollections, treasured in the long ago.
Smile soft, O flowers, bending low like friends with saddened eyes,
Moist with dear remembrance of saintly sacrifice.
And thou, O Flag of Freedom, fan their slumbers where they lie;
At morning, toss and flutter, and at midnight, float and fly."

III. As provided by the forty-fifth national encampment, flags shall be placed at half-mast until 12 o'clock noon and at this time bells shall be tolled for 5 minutes at all public Grand Army services on Memorial Day, during which time all comrades shall remain standing with uncovered heads.

IV. The national encampment has directed that General Logan's Memorial Day order and President Lincoln's Gettysburg Address shall be read at all public exercises on Memorial Day

GENERAL LOGAN'S MEMORIAL ORDER

GENERAL ORDER
No. 11

HEADQUARTERS, GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,
Washington, D. C., May 5, 1868.

I. The 30th day of May 1868 is designated for the purpose of strewing with flowers or otherwise decorating the graves of comrades who died in defense of their country during the late rebellion, and whose bodies now lie in almost every city, village, and hamlet churchyard in the land. In this observance no form of ceremony is prescribed, but posts and comrades will in their own way arrange such fitting services and testimonials of respect as circumstances may permit.

We are organized, comrades, as our regulations tell us, for the purpose among other things, "of preserving and strengthening those kind and fraternal feelings which have bound together the soldiers, sailors, and marines who united to suppress the late rebellion." What can aid more to assure this result than by cherishing tenderly the memory of our heroic dead, who made their breasts a barricade between our country and its foes? Their soldier lives were the reveille of freedom to a race in chains, and their death a tattoo of rebellious tyranny in arms. We should guard their graves with sacred vigilance. All that the consecrated wealth and taste of the Nation can add to their adornment and security is but a fitting tribute to the memory of her slain defenders. Let no wanton foot tread rudely on such hallowed grounds. Let pleasant paths invite the coming and going of reverent visitors and fond mourners. Let no vandalism of avarice or neglect, no ravages of time, testify to the present or to the coming generations that we have forgotten, as a people, the cost of a free and undivided republic.

If other eyes grow dull and other hands slack, and other hearts cold in the solemn trust, ours shall keep it well as long as the light and warmth of life remain in us.

Let us, then, at the time appointed, gather around their sacred remains and garland the passionless mounds above them with choicest flowers of Spring-

time; let us raise above them the dear old flag they saved from dishonor; let us in this solemn presence renew our pledges to aid and assist those whom they have left among us as sacred charges upon the Nation's gratitude—the soldier's and sailor's widow and orphan.

II. It is the purpose of the commander in chief to inaugurate this observance with the hope that it will be kept up from year to year, while a survivor of the war remains to honor the memory of his departed comrades. He earnestly desires the public press to call attention to this order, and lend its friendly aid in bringing it to the notice of comrades in all parts of the country in time for simultaneous compliance therewith.

III. Department commanders will use every effort to make this order effective.
By command of

JOHN A. LOGAN,
Commander in Chief.

N. P. CHIPMAN,
Adjutant General.

LINCOLN'S GETTYSBURG ADDRESS

Fourscore and seven years ago our fathers brought forth upon this continent a new nation, conceived in liberty and dedicated to the proposition that all men are created equal. Now we are engaged in a great civil war, testing whether that Nation, or any nation so conceived and so dedicated, can long endure. We are met on a great battlefield of that war. We have come to dedicate a portion of that field as a final resting place for those who here gave their lives that that Nation might live. It is altogether fitting and proper that we should do this. But, in a larger sense, we cannot dedicate, we cannot consecrate, we cannot hallow this ground. The brave men, living and dead, who struggled here have consecrated it far above our poor power to add or detract. The world will little note nor long remember what we say here, but it can never forget what they did here. It is for us, the living, rather to be dedicated here to the unfinished work which they who fought here have thus far so nobly advanced. It is rather for us to be here dedicated to the great task remaining before us, that from these honored dead we take increased devotion to that cause for which they gave the last full measure of devotion; that we here highly resolve that these dead shall not have died in vain; that this Nation, under God, shall have a new birth of freedom, and that government of the people, by the people, and for the people shall not perish from the earth.

V. Sunday, May 27, will be observed as Memorial Sunday. It is hoped that all comrades physically able to do so, will attend divine service on that day and that the members of our Auxiliary and allied orders will accompany them.

VI. As a former schoolmaster, your commander in chief feels sure that his comrades will be welcome in the schools previous to Memorial Day, during the Memorial Day program.

VII. Comrade Robert M. Rownd, past commander in chief and past chaplain in chief, is appointed acting chaplain in chief, vice Comrade Martin J. Warner, deceased, to act until the meeting of the national encampment. Department chaplains are requested to send their reports to him at Ripley, N. Y., immediately after Memorial Day.

VIII. Thursday, June 14, will be observed as Flag Day. Let all who can, participate in public exercises on that day, mindful of the sacrifices of our young men and women serving under that flag all over the world, that we at home may continue to live in a free land.

"Above the flags of all nations,
Our beautiful banner floats on high;
Its stars like the stars of heaven,
And its blue as blue as the sky.
Long may it wave in its beauty,
The symbol of freedom and right;
Not a star be lost from its azure,
Not a stain blot its spotless white."

By command of—

ISAAC W. SHARP,
Commander in Chief.

RUSSELL C. MARTIN,
Adjutant General.

 IN MEMORIAM

FRANKLIN DELANO ROOSEVELT, PRESIDENT, MUSTERED OUT IN LINE OF DUTY,
APRIL 12, 1945

The sympathy of the Grand Army of the Republic is extended to his bereaved wife and children, with the hope that God may comfort them in their great sorrow.

When President Lincoln was assassinated, Gen. James A. Garfield, who later, as President, was to die at the hands of an assassin, at a meeting in New York City uttered the following words, which seem just as appropriate today:

"Fellow citizens! Clouds and darkness are round about him. His pavilion is dark waters and thick clouds of the skies. Justice and judgment are the establishment of his throne. Mercy and truth shall go before his face.

"Fellow citizens! God reigns and the Government at Washington still lives."

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NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS,
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,
ROOM 16, HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING
Warsaw, Ind., September 1, 1945.

I. The seventy-ninth national encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic will be held in Columbus, Ohio, September 30 to October 4, 1945. National headquarters of the Grand Army of the Republic and the Woman's Relief Corps will be located in the Deshler-Wallick Hotel.

II. Complete program of meetings and entertainment may be obtained on arrival in Columbus.

III. Hon. Paul M. Herbert has been appointed chairman of the encampment committee and Mr. Joseph E. Cross, secretary. All requests for information and for rooms should be addressed to Mr. Joseph E. Cross, secretary, GAR Encampment Committee, Columbus Convention Bureau, Virginia Hotel, Columbus, Ohio.

IV. National headquarters will be temporarily established in rooms 227-228, Deshler-Wallick Hotel, Thursday, September 27.

V. Patriotic services will be held in all churches in Columbus, Sunday morning, September 30.

VI. The Grand Army memorial service will be held in Memorial Hall, Sunday, September 30, at 2:30 p. m.

VII. The committee on credentials will meet Monday, October 1, at 10 a. m., in national headquarters, rooms 227-228, Deshler-Wallick Hotel. The following comrades are appointed members of the Committee on Credentials:

Russell C. Martin, adjutant general.

David Sisk, assistant adjutant general, Department of Iowa.

Ralph R. Towner, assistant adjutant general, Department of Michigan.

John R. Bennett, assistant adjutant general, Department of Ohio.

Henry Alexander, assistant adjutant general, Department of Wisconsin.

VIII. Assistant adjutants general are requested to obtain at national headquarters a copy of the encampment roll, that any necessary corrections may be made before the committee meets.

IX. The executive committee of the national council of administration will meet in national headquarters, rooms 227-228, Deshler-Wallick Hotel, Monday, October 1, at 11:30 a. m.

X. The national council of administration will meet in national headquarters Monday, October 1, at 1:30 p. m.

XI. John S. Dumser, California and Nevada; Frank J. Barton, Indiana, and Orlando H. LeValley, Michigan, will audit the books of the quartermaster general and will report to the council of administration at its meeting October 1.

XII. Comrades will meet in national headquarters Monday, October 1, at 3:30 p. m., for instructions for the parade.

XIII. The semiofficial meeting of the national encampment will be held in Memorial Hall, Monday evening, October 1, at 8 p. m.

XIV. Department commanders will report to the adjutant general not later than 5 p. m., Tuesday, October 2, department nominations for national council of administration and committee on resolutions.

XV. Tuesday evening, October 2, a reception will be tendered Commander in Chief Sharp and staff in the rotunda of the Capitol by Governor and Mrs. Frank J. Lausche.

XVI. The parade of the Grand Army of the Republic will be held Wednesday, October 3, at 10 a. m. The route will be announced in the official program.

XVII. Department commanders are advised that, by action of the national encampment, women, children, and civilians (except in bands and drum corps) are prohibited from participating in the Grand Army parade. Also, by order of the national encampment, all caricatures, impersonations of Lincoln, Uncle Sam, or other characters, and floats of any sort, will be excluded from the parade.

XVIII. No flags or standards, except the National, State, and post flags, will be allowed in the parade, and all flags must fly from the staff. Regimental flags and banners will not be allowed.

XIX. The first business session of the national encampment will convene in room 1212, Deshler-Wallick Hotel, Wednesday, October 3, at 1:30 p. m. The second session will convene Thursday, October 4, at 9 a. m.

XX. Wednesday evening, October 4, a campfire will be held in Memorial Hall at 8 p. m.

XXI. Thursday evening, October 5, a band concert will be given by the United States Marine Band in the stadium of the University of Ohio.

XXII. The national headquarters of the auxiliary and allied orders will be located in Columbus, as follows:

Deshler-Wallick Hotel: Grand Army of the Republic and Woman's Relief Corps.

Neil House: Ladies of the GAR and Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

Fort Hayes Hotel: Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War and Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

XXIII. The following committees are appointed to prepare resolutions:

On the death of Past Commander in Chief A. T. Anderson: John S. Dumser, California and Nevada; Alfred S. Gabrio, Pennsylvania; Theodore A. Penland, Oregon.

On the death of Quartermaster General William H. Ferguson: John C. Adams, Indiana; William P. Lockwood, Illinois; H. M. Mingay, California and Nevada.

On the death of Past Commander in Chief George A. Gay: George H. Jones, Maine; Charles B. Burt, Massachusetts; William H. Osborn, Missouri.

On the death of Chaplain in Chief Martin J. Warner: Robert M. Rownd, New York; Cyrus Perrigo, Michigan; Albert M. Woolson, Minnesota.

XXIV. The only organizations which have been recognized by the national encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic are the Woman's Relief Corps, Ladies of the GAR, Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War and auxiliary to Sons of Veterans of the Civil War. Departments cannot recognize other than those mentioned. Such recognition, however, does not allow these organizations to interfere with the business of posts, departments, or national organization. Members of the Allied Orders cannot organize in committees and use the name of the Grand Army or letters GAR in connection with their committee or association.

XXV. All mail for national headquarters should be addressed to the Deshler-Wallick Hotel, Columbus, Ohio, after September 24.

XXVI. The commander in chief regrets the unusual circumstances which have delayed sending out information on the national encampment, but it has been entirely beyond his control. He had to be governed entirely by conditions laid down by the Office of Defense Transportation, and it has been a most unhappy time for everybody concerned. He hopes that as many of his comrades as can will attend the national encampment in Columbus, even with this late notice.

By command of

ISAAC W. SHARP, *Commander in Chief.*

RUSSELL C. MARTIN,
Adjutant General.

IN MEMORIAM

Comrade Alexander T. Anderson, past commander in chief, died at Washington, Pa. September 15, 1944, in his ninety-ninth year. He was the last Civil War veteran in Washington County. In 1939 he was elected senior vice commander

in chief at Pittsburgh and on the death of Commander in Chief John E. Andrews in Quincy, Ill., June 30, 1940, Comrade Anderson became commander in chief and finished that administration. He was born in West Union, W. Va., May 1, 1846, and grew up there on a farm, on which the home still stands, just across the Pennsylvania line. He enlisted in June 1864 in Company B, First West Virginia Cavalry, serving under Generals Sherman and Custer. Returning to West Virginia after his discharge, he located at Taylorstown, where he established a general store. In 1877 he moved to Washington, Pa., and entered the real-estate business. He married Emily K. Wilson, of Taylorstown, July 13, 1882, and immediately built the house at 47 North Avenue in Washington, in which Mrs. Anderson still makes her home. He is survived by his wife, his son, Dr. Walter T. Anderson, of Detroit, and two granddaughters. Dr. Walter Anderson accompanied his father to national encampments and his father was most proud of his son's record in World War I. Comrade Anderson was elected department commander in 1933 and again in 1937. He joined Templeton Post, No. 120, in 1882 and was its last member. He was a life member of the United Presbyterian Church. To Mrs. Anderson, the son, and two granddaughters, we extend our sincere sympathy.

Comrade William H. Ferguson, quartermaster general, died in office September 25, 1944, aged 96 years. He enlisted in Company A, one hundred and thirty-seventh Illinois Infantry, May 10, 1864, as private, and was discharged September 24, 1864. He reenlisted February 14, 1865, as corporal in Company B, One Hundred and Fifty-first Illinois Infantry. He was discharged January 24, 1866.

He was born in Canton, Ill., and lived in that vicinity until he moved to Michigan. After the war Comrade Ferguson returned to Canton and attended Abbingdon College and taught school. He moved to Prairie City, Ill., where he joined the Grand Army of the Republic and later served as postmaster for 13 years. In 1936 he moved to Michigan, near Kent City, and in 1940 joined the Michigan Department as a member at large. In 1943 he was elected department commander. Following the death of Quartermaster General Eugene Owen, Commander in Chief Jones appointed Comrade Ferguson to fill the vacancy and at the encampment in Des Moines in September 1944, he was reappointed by Commander in Chief Sharp. He is survived by his wife, who attended all the encampments with him. In the death of Comrade Ferguson the Department of Michigan, as well as the national encampment, has lost a loyal member and a competent officer.

Comrade George A. Gay, past commander in chief, and assistant adjutant general of Massachusetts Department, died in office December 15, 1944, aged 96 years, and was laid to rest in the family cemetery in Pepperell, Mass. He was born in Pepperell, Mass., November 4, 1848. He enlisted in the Navy January 27, 1864, serving on the receiving ship *Ohio* and the U. S. S. *Harvest Moon* as landsman. He was discharged from the *Princeton* February 14, 1865, and later enlisted in the Tenth United States Infantry for 4 years. After his army service he became a civil engineer.

He was a charter member of Post No. 195 in Pepperell, Mass., and was its last member when he died. He was elected department commander in 1935 and commander in chief in 1941. He served as assistant adjutant general for the Department of Massachusetts for several years.

He was married to the devoted wife who cared for him, on November 4, 1938. To Mrs. Gay and the granddaughter, the national encampment extends its sincere sympathy in the loss of their loved one.

Comrade Martin J. Warner, chaplain in chief, died in office in March 1945, aged 99 years. He enlisted in Troop H, Seventeenth Illinois Cavalry, and was discharged at Fort Leavenworth, Kans., December 27, 1865. Comrade Warner was elected department commander of Michigan in 1940 and had served several times as assistant adjutant general of the department. He was very proud of the fact that he could call the roll of his Civil War company and did so at the campfire at the last national encampment. The national encampment will miss this kindly comrade, as will his own department.

CALIFORNIA AND NEVADA

Comrade Samuel P. Yoho, elected department commander in 1938, died May 11, 1945, aged 97 years. He served in Company I, One Hundred and Seventy-sixth Ohio Infantry. Comrade Yoho settled in Santa Rosa, Calif., in 1885, and joined Post No. 20, later moving to San Francisco, where he served 10 years as commander of Post No. 2. He was the last member of the Grand Army of the Republic in San Francisco.

COLORADO AND WYOMING

Comrade Joseph B. Smith, senior vice department commander, died in office December 31, 1944, aged 102 years.

FLORIDA

Comrade Logan J. Dyke, member of the national council of administration and department commander, died in office January 8, 1945, aged 102 years 11 months. He enlisted in the One Hundred and Eleventh Pennsylvania Infantry November 25, 1861, and was discharged July 19, 1865, as sergeant major. He was elected department commander in 1932 and on the death of Commander Rose, Comrade Dyke again became department commander. His death caused the closing of the books of L. L. Mitchell Post, No. 34, of St. Cloud and of the Department of Florida.

IDAHO

Comrade Albert G. Jones, member of the national council of administration and department commander, died in office December 25, 1945, aged 96 years. He served in the Forty-fourth Missouri Infantry. He was elected department commander in 1939, serving until his death. He was junior vice commander of the Boise Order of the Purple Heart.

ILLINOIS

Comrade William M. Livingston, senior vice department commander, died in office May 30, 1945, aged 97 years. He enlisted May 5, 1864, in Company E., One Hundred and Thirty-ninth Illinois Infantry, and was discharged October 28, 1864.

IOWA

Comrade Frank L. Quade, elected senior vice commander in chief in 1938, died May 9, 1945, aged 98 years. He was born in Providence, R. I., and enlisted in 1864 in Company G, Eighth Iowa Cavalry, and served until the end of the war. He was elected department commander in 1933. He was appointed a letter carrier in Dubuque, Iowa, in 1885, but after a few years became a postal clerk.

MAINE

Comrade John W. Palmer, assistant adjutant general, died in office September 29, 1944, aged 98 years. He enlisted at 17 years of age in the Thirty-second Maine Infantry and was later transferred to the Thirty-first Maine Infantry. In 1864 he was taken prisoner and was sent to Libby Prison, and later transferred to Danville, Va., spending 7 months in prison. He was discharged July 15, 1865. He was elected department commander in 1941 and was appointed assistant adjutant general on the staff of Commander in Chief Jones.

Comrade George T. Benson, elected department commander in 1933, died November 6, 1944, aged 103 years. He enlisted in 1861 in Company G, Third Maine Infantry, and saw action in the Battles of Bull Run, Yorktown, Fair Oaks, Richmond, and Chantilly. After 3 months in an Army hospital he was discharged in 1862.

Comrade Otis L. Coffin, junior vice department commander, died in office November 28, 1944, aged 100 years. He enlisted in Company F, Thirteenth Maine Infantry, in 1861 and in 1864 reenlisted, serving 8 months until the end of the war, being discharged at Fort Pulaski. He was elected department commander in 1942.

MICHIGAN

George L. Morgan, senior vice department commander, died in office April 15, 1945, aged 97 years. At the age of 14 he succeeded in being mustered in as private in Company A, Eighty-seventh Indiana Infantry and was discharged June 10, 1865, near Washington, D. C.

MINNESOTA

Comrade Louis E. Quint, assistant adjutant general, died in office October 4, 1944, aged 97 years. Living in Hallowell, Maine, he made several attempts to enlist, which were unsuccessful on account of his age, so he went to Canton, Mass., where he enlisted September 20, 1863, in the Tenth Massachusetts Battery, Light Artillery, and was discharged June 9, 1865, in Boston, Mass. Comrade Quint was elected department commander in 1942 and was appointed national patriotic instructor by Commander in Chief Jones. For 76 years, since 1868, he had been a member of the Masonic Order.

Comrade Henry Mack, junior vice department commander, died in office April 8, 1945, aged 107 years 9 months. He enlisted December 15, 1863, as private in Company H, Fourth Arkansas Infantry, designated later as the Fifty-seventh United States Colored Troops. He was promoted to corporal in 1865 and was discharged December 16, 1866.

MISSOURI

Comrade August Moreau, senior vice department commander, died in office April 27, 1945, aged 98 years. He served in the United States Navy on the *U. S. S. Monitor*.

Comrade George W. Johnson, appointed assistant adjutant general and assistant quartermaster general in 1942 and again in 1943, died August 1, 1945, aged 98 years. He was a constant attendant at national encampments and served in the First United States Colored Troops.

NEW HAMPSHIRE

Comrade Lyman E. Butterfield, department commander, died in office November 10, 1944, aged 96 years. He served as private in the Third Maine Infantry. He was elected department commander in 1937 and held office from then until his death.

Comrade Frank E. Amadon, member of the national council of administration and department commander, died in office January 12, 1945, aged 99 years. He served in Company I, Eighteenth New Hampshire Infantry throughout the war and was mustered out July 29, 1865. His father and three brothers also served through the war. Comrade Amadon became department commander again on the death of Commander Butterfield.

NEW JERSEY

Comrade Robert McCandless, assistant adjutant general and assistant quartermaster general, died in office June 3, 1945, aged 98 years. He enlisted as drummer boy, February 24, 1865, in Company E, Ninth New Jersey Infantry, in which regiment his father also served, and was discharged in 1868.

NEW YORK

Comrade Ringgold W. Carman, elected junior vice department commander in 1922, died June 16, 1944, aged 100 years, the last member of the Grand Army of the Republic in Queens County. He served in the One Hundred Twenty-fourth

Pennsylvania Infantry and was later transferred to an artillery unit and was discharged in August 1865 at Harrisburg, Pa.

Comrade Daniel Harris, senior vice department commander, died in office February 8, 1945, aged 98 years. He enlisted in the United States Navy at the Brooklyn Navy Yard, August 19, 1864, and was assigned to U. S. S. *Saratoga*. He later sailed on U. S. S. *Hartford* on Admiral Farragut's trip around the world, but on reaching Hong Kong he was assigned to the *Wyoming* and returned to the United States, where he was discharged.

OKLAHOMA

Rev. Dr. E. H. Sawyer, assistant adjutant general and assistant quartermaster general, died in office May 20, 1945, aged 101 years. He served in the Eighth Michigan Infantry and was so seriously injured in the knee at the Battle of Manassas that he was obliged to use crutches all during his life. He was the author of many books, several about Gettysburg. He held six academic degrees, was the president of the former Canon City College in Colorado, and had served on the faculties of many colleges.

WASHINGTON AND ALASKA

Comrade Semer B. Tift, past department commander, died March 1, 1945, aged 102 years. He was elected senior vice department commander in 1941 and in February 1942, became department commander on the death of Department Commander Rustan O. Reed. In June 1942 he was elected department commander, serving until June 1943. Comrade Tift enlisted February 16, 1861, as private in Company H, Second Illinois Cavalry, and was discharged in New Orleans, La., in 1865. He joined Post No. 89 in 1898, by transfer from Post No. 299 of Kearney, Nebr. He was the last veteran in Snohomish County.

WISCONSIN

Comrade John W. Miller, elected department commander in 1942, died September 18, 1944, aged 99 years. He enlisted in February 1863, as private in Company D, Fifteenth Wisconsin Infantry, and was discharged in June 1865.

Comrade Balthasar Regli, elected department commander in 1940, died January 21, aged 101 years 6 months. He enlisted August 15, 1862, in the Twenty-fifth Wisconsin Infantry, and was discharged in June 1865.

MEMBERS AT LARGE

Comrade William F. Dorsey, elected department commander of the Potomac in 1932, died December 16, 1943, aged 94 years. A native of Indiana, he moved to Nebraska as a child and when 15 years old he enlisted in Troop E, Second United States Cavalry. After the war he became proofreader in the Government Printing Office and served until 1902. He was the oldest member of the International Typographical Union, of which he was the organizer and the first president.

Comrade John M. Kline, elected department commander of the Department of the Potomac in 1934 and serving continuously until 1941, died in September 1944, aged 97 years. When 16 years old he enlisted as private in Company A, Forty-ninth Pennsylvania Infantry. He was captured at Cold Harbor, Va., June 1, 1864, and was confined in Libby Prison and Andersonville until the close of the war, when he was paroled at Vicksburg, Miss., and was discharged at Harrisburg, Pa., May 27, 1865. He enlisted in the Regular Army, September 29, 1866, and was assigned as corporal in Company K, Twelfth United States Infantry. His regiment was assigned to Camp Gaston, Hoopa Valley, Calif., where he served as first sergeant until his discharge, September 29, 1869. He received an appointment in the Treasury Department, December 1869, retiring in 1921.



In Memoriam



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In 1939 he was elected senior vice commander in chief at Pittsburgh and on the death of Commander in Chief John E. Andrew, in Quincy, Ill., June 30, 1940, Comrade Anderson became commander in chief and finished that administration.

He was born in West Union, W. Va., May 1, 1846, and grew up there on a farm, on which the home still stands, just across the Pennsylvania line. He enlisted in June 1864, in Company B, First West Virginia Cavalry, serving under Generals Sherman and Custer.

Returning to West Virginia after his discharge, he located at Taylorstown, where he established a general store. In 1877 he moved to Washington, Pa., and entered the real-estate business. He married Emily K. Wilson, of Taylorstown, July 13, 1882, and immediately built the house at 47 North Avenue in Washington, in which Mrs. Anderson still makes her home.

He is survived by his wife, his son, Dr. Walter T. Anderson, of Detroit, and two granddaughters. Dr. Walter Anderson accompanied his father to national encampments and his father was most proud of his son's record in World War I.

Comrade Anderson was elected department commander of Pennsylvania in 1933 and again in 1937. He joined Templeton Post, No. 120, in 1882, and was its last member. He was a life member of the United Presbyterian Church.

To Mrs. Anderson, the son, and two granddaughters, we extend our sincere sympathy.

In Memoriam

GEORGE A. GAY

PAST COMMANDER IN CHIEF

Comrade George A. Gay, past commander in chief, and assistant adjutant general of Massachusetts Department, died in office December 15, 1944, aged 96 years, and was laid to rest in the family cemetery in Pepperell, Mass. He was born in Pepperell, Mass., November 4, 1848. He enlisted in the Navy January 27, 1864, serving on the receiving ship *Ohio* and the U. S. S. *Harvest Moon* as landsman. He was discharged from the *Princeton* February 14, 1865, and later enlisted in the Tenth United States Infantry for 4 years. After his army service he became a civil engineer.

He was a charter member of Post No. 195 in Pepperell, Mass., and was its last member when he died. He was elected department commander in 1935 and commander in chief in 1941. He served as assistant adjutant general for the Department of Massachusetts for several years.

He was married to the devoted wife who cared for him, on November 4, 1938. To Mrs. Gay and the granddaughter, the national encampment extends its sincere sympathy in the loss of their loved one.



GEORGE A. GAY
PAST COMMANDER IN CHIEF



WILLIAM H. FERGUSON
QUARTERMASTER GENERAL

In Memoriam

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QUARTERMASTER GENERAL

Comrade William H. Ferguson, quartermaster general, died in office September 25, 1944, aged 96 years. He enlisted in Company A, One Hundred Thirty-seventh Illinois Infantry, May 10, 1864, as private, and was discharged September 24, 1864. He reenlisted February 14, 1865, as corporal in Company B, One Hundred Fifty-first Illinois Infantry. He was discharged January 24, 1866.

He was born in Canton Ill., and lived in that vicinity until he moved to Michigan. After the war Comrade Ferguson returned to Canton and attended Abbingdon College and taught school. He moved to Prairie City, Ill., where he joined the Grand Army of the Republic and later served as postmaster for 13 years. In 1936 he moved to Michigan, near Kent City, and in 1940 joined the Michigan Department as a member at large. In 1943 he was elected department commander.

Following the death of Quartermaster General Eugene Owen, Commander in Chief Jones appointed Comrade Ferguson to fill the vacancy, and at the encampment in Des Moines in September 1944, he was reappointed by Commander in Chief Sharp. He is survived by his wife, who attended all the encampments with him.

In the death of Comrade Ferguson the Department of Michigan, as well as the national encampment, have lost a loyal member and a competent officer.

In Memoriam

MARTIN J. WARNER

CHAPLAIN IN CHIEF

Comrade Martin J. Warner, chaplain in chief, died in office March 1945, aged 99 years. He enlisted in Troop H, Seventeenth Illinois Cavalry, and was discharged at Fort Leavenworth, Kans., December 27, 1865.

Comrade Warner was elected department commander of Michigan in 1940 and had served several times as assistant adjutant general of the department.

He was very proud of the fact that he could call the roll of his Civil War company and did so at the last national encampment. The national encampment will miss this kindly comrade, as will his own department.



MARTIN J. WARNER
CHAFLAIN IN CHIEF



KATHARINE R. A. FLOOD
SECRETARY

In Memoriam

KATHARINE R. A. FLOOD

Katharine R. A. Flood, secretary, the National Grand Army of the Republic, passed away October 29, 1945, in the hospital in Newton, Mass., after an illness of about 3 weeks. She was born in Newton, Mass., the daughter of Comrade John Flood, graduated from the Newton High School and attended Radcliffe College at Cambridge, Mass., teaching school for several years. She joined the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War in 1895, was president of Tent No. 2 in 1899, becoming national president in 1915. She was a member of the Woman's Relief Corps for over 30 years.

Miss Flood was appointed secretary at national headquarters in 1910 by Past Commander in Chief John E. Gilman. In 1911 she went to Los Angeles, Calif., as executive secretary of the forty-sixth national encampment and in 1912 was again appointed national secretary by Judge Beers in Bridgeport, Conn., serving thereafter until her death, with the exception of a few years she was at home caring for her mother and father.

While in poor health for several years, this did not interfere with her work for the Grand Army and it was her ambition to carry on to the end of the organization, but this was not to be. She gave her life in the service of the men she loved, the Grand Army of the Republic. Beloved by all who knew her from the Atlantic to the Pacific, her place can never be filled. She was a true Daughter to all of the men who wore the Blue, and a loyal friend to all members of the allied organizations. Words are inadequate to pay proper tribute to this wonderful woman.

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First commander in chief

ROBERT MANN WOOD, Illinois
First adjutant general

JOHN M. SNYDER, Illinois
First quartermaster general

No official records of membership prior to 1878.

FIRST NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, INDIANAPOLIS, IND., NOVEMBER 20, 1866

Headquarters established Springfield, Ill.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> _____	STEPHEN A. HURLBUT, Illinois.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> _____	JAMES B. MCKEAN, New York.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> _____	ROBERT S. FOSTER, Indiana.
<i>Surgeon general</i> _____	D. C. MCNEIL, Iowa.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> _____	Rev. WILLIAM A. PILE, Missouri.
<i>Adjutant general</i> ¹ _____	BENJAMIN F. STEPHENSON, Illinois.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> _____	AUGUST WILlich, Ohio.

SECOND NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, PHILADELPHIA, PA., JANUARY 15, 1868

Headquarters established Washington, D. C.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> _____	JOHN A. LOGAN, Illinois.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> _____	JOSHUA T. OWEN, Pennsylvania.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> _____	JOSEPH R. HAWLEY, Connecticut.
<i>Surgeon general</i> _____	JOHN BELL, Iowa.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> _____	Rev. ALONZO H. QUINT, Massachusetts.
<i>Adjutant general</i> ¹ _____	NORTON P. CHIPMAN, WASHINGTON, D. C.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> _____	T. C. CAMPBELL, Ohio.
<i>Inspector general</i> ¹ _____	EDWARD JARDINE, New Jersey.

¹ By amendment to rules and regulations staff officers are now appointed.

THIRD NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, CINCINNATI, OHIO, MAY 12, 13, 1869

Headquarters established Washington, D. C.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN A. LOGAN, Illinois.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	LUCIUS FAIRCHILD, Wisconsin.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOSEPH R. HAWLEY, Connecticut.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	S. B. WYLIE MITCHELL, Pennsylvania.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. ALONZO H. QUINT, Massachusetts.
<i>Adjutant general</i> ¹ -----	WILLIAM T. COLLINS, Minnesota.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> ¹ -----	TIMOTHY LUBEY, Washington, D. C.
<i>Inspector general</i> ¹ -----	FRED A. STARRING, Washington, D. C.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	NORTON P. CHIPMAN, Washington, D. C.

FOURTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, WASHINGTON, D. C., MAY 11, 12, 1870

Headquarters established in Washington, D. C.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN A. LOGAN, Illinois.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	LUCIUS FAIRCHILD, Wisconsin.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	LOUIS WAGNER, Pennsylvania.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	Dr. SAMUEL A. GREEN, Massachusetts.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. GEORGE W. COLLIER, Ohio.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	WILLIAM T. COLLINS, Washington, D. C.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	TIMOTHY LUBEY, Washington, D. C.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	FRED A. STARRING, Washington D. C.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	NORTON P. CHIPMAN, Washington, D. C.

FIFTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, BOSTON, MASS., MAY 10, 11, 1871

Headquarters established New York City.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	AMBROSE E. BURNSIDE, Rhode Island.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	LOUIS WAGNER, Pennsylvania.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JAMES COEY, California.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	CORNELIUS G. ATTWOOD, Massachusetts.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. WILLIAM EARNSHAW, Ohio.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	WILLIAM CUTTING, New York.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	CORNELIUS G. ATTWOOD, Massachusetts.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	ROBERT B. BEATH, Pennsylvania.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	W. W. DOUGLAS, Rhode Island.

SIXTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, CLEVELAND, OHIO, MAY 8, 9, 1872

Headquarters established New York City.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	AMBROSE E. BURNSIDE, Rhode Island.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	LOUIS WAGNER, Pennsylvania.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	J. WARREN KEIFER, Ohio.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	Dr. SAMUEL A. GREEN, Massachusetts.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. WILLIAM EARNSHAW, Ohio.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	ROSWELL MILLER, New York.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	CORNELIUS G. ATTWOOD, Massachusetts.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	MILAN B. GOODRICH, New York.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	W. W. DOUGLAS, Rhode Island.

¹ By amendment to rules and regulations staff officers now appointed.

**SEVENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, NEW HAVEN, CONN.,
MAY 14, 15, 1873**

Headquarters established Boston, Mass.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	CHARLES DEVENS, Massachusetts.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN R. GOEBLE, New Jersey.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	EDWARD FERGUSON, Wisconsin.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	HANS POWELL, New York.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. AUG. WOODBURY, Rhode Island.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	CORNELIUS G. ATTWOOD, Massachusetts.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	A. B. R. SPRAGUE, Massachusetts.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	A. WILSON NORRIS, Pennsylvania.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	W. W. DOUGLAS, Rhode Island.

EIGHTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, HARRISBURG, PA., MAY 13, 1874

Headquarters established Boston, Mass.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	CHARLES DEVENS, Massachusetts.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	EDWARD JARDINE, New York.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	GUY T. GOULD, Illinois.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	HANS POWELL, New York.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. AUG. WOODBURY, Rhode Island.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	HENRY R. SIBLEY, Massachusetts.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	A. B. R. SPRAGUE, Massachusetts.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	W. W. BROWN, Pennsylvania.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	W. W. DOUGLAS, Rhode Island.

NINTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, CHICAGO, ILL., MAY 12, 13, 1875

Headquarters established Philadelphia, Pa.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN F. HARTRANFT, Pennsylvania.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	J. S. REYNOLDS, Illinois.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	CHARLES J. BUCKBEE, Connecticut.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	JOHN W. FOYE, Massachusetts.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. MYRON W. REED, Wisconsin.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	ROBERT B. BEATH, Pennsylvania.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	WILLIAM WARD, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	W. F. ROGERS, New York.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	W. W. DOUGLAS, Rhode Island.

TENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, PHILADELPHIA, PA., JUNE 30, 1876

Headquarters established Philadelphia, Pa.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN F. HARTRANFT, Pennsylvania.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	J. S. REYNOLDS, Illinois.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	CHARLES J. BUCKBEE, Connecticut.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	JAMES L. WATSON, New York.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. Jos. F. LOVERING, Massachusetts.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	ROBERT B. BEATH, Pennsylvania.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	WILLIAM WARD, New Jersey.
<i>Inspectors general</i> -----	{ W. F. ROGERS, ² New York. MATTHEW HALL, Pennsylvania.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	W. W. DOUGLAS, Rhode Island.

² Resigned on being elected department commander of New York.

ELEVENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, PROVIDENCE, R. I.,
JUNE 26, 27, 1877

Headquarters established New York City.
The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN C. ROBINSON, New York.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	ELISHA H. RHODES, Rhode Island.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	WILLIAM EARNSHAW, Ohio.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	JAMES L. WATSON, New York.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. JOS. F. LOVERING, Massachusetts.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	JAMES L. FARLEY, New York.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	WILLIAM WARD, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	MATTHEW HALL, Pennsylvania.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	WILLIAM COGSWELL, Massachusetts.

TWELFTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, SPRINGFIELD, MASS.,
JUNE 4, 1878

Headquarters established New York City. Membership, 31,016.
The following officers were elected for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN C. ROBINSON, New York.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	PAUL VANDERVOORT, Nebraska.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	HERBERT E. HILL, Massachusetts.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	JAMES L. WATSON, New York.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. JOS. F. LOVERING, Massachusetts.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	JAMES L. FARLEY, New York.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	WILLIAM WARD, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	MATTHEW HALL, Pennsylvania.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	WILLIAM COGSWELL, Massachusetts.

THIRTEENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, ALBANY, N. Y., JUNE 17, 18, 1879

Headquarters established National Military Home, Ohio. Membership, 44,752.
The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	WILLIAM EARNSHAW, Ohio.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN PALMER, New York.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	HARRISON DINGMAN, Washington, D. C.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	WILLIAM B. JONES, Pennsylvania.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. JOS. F. LOVERING, Massachusetts.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	ISAAC B. STEVENS, Ohio.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	WILLIAM WARD, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	CHARLES W. RAPHUN, Maryland.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	WILLIAM M. BALDWIN, Ohio.

FOURTEENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, DAYTON, OHIO, JUNE 8, 9, 1880

Headquarters established Philadelphia, Pa. Membership, 60,634.
The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	LOUIS WAGNER, Pennsylvania
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	EDGAR D. SWAIN, Illinois.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	GEORGE BOWERS, New Hampshire.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	A. C. HAMLIN, Maine.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. JOS. F. LOVERING, Massachusetts.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	ROBERT B. BEATH, Pennsylvania.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	WILLIAM WARD, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	JAMES R. CARNAHAN, Indiana.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	GEORGE B. SQUIRES, New York.

**FIFTEENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, INDIANAPOLIS, IND.,
JUNE 15, 16, 1881**

Headquarters established Boston, Mass. Membership, 85,856.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in Chief</i> -----	GEORGE S. MERRILL, Massachusetts.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	CHARLES L. YOUNG, Ohio.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	C. V. R. POND, Michigan.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	CHARLES STYER, Pennsylvania.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. JOS. F. LOVERING, Massachusetts.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	WILLIAM M. OLIN, Massachusetts.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	WILLIAM WARD, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	JAMES R. CARNAHAN, Indiana.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	GEORGE B. SQUIRES, New York.

**SIXTEENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, BALTIMORE, MD.,
JUNE 21-23, 1882**

Headquarters established Omaha, Nebr. Membership, 134,701.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in Chief</i> -----	PAUL VANDERVOORT, Nebraska.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	W. F. W. ROSS, Maryland.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	I. S. BANGS, Maine.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	AZEL AMES, Jr., Massachusetts.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. I. M. FOSTER, New York.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	F. E. BROWN, Nebraska.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	JOHN TAYLOR, Pennsylvania.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	JOHN W. BURST, Illinois.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	JAMES R. CARNAHAN, Indiana.

**SEVENTEENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, DENVER, COLO.,
JUNE 25, 26, 1883**

Headquarters established Philadelphia, Pa. Membership, 225,446.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in Chief</i> -----	ROBERT B. BEATH, Pennsylvania.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	WILLIAM WARNER, Missouri.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	WALTER H. HOLMES, California.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	AZEL AMES, Jr., Massachusetts.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. I. M. FOSTER, New York.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	JOHN M. VANDERSLICE, Pennsylvania.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	JOHN TAYLOR, Pennsylvania.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	CHARLES A. SANTMYER, Ohio.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	WILLIAM VANDEVER, Iowa.

**EIGHTEENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.,
JUNE 23-25, 1884**

Headquarters established Toledo, Ohio. Membership, 273,168.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in Chief</i> -----	JOHN S. KOUNTZ, Ohio.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN P. REA, Minnesota.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	IRA E. HICKS, Connecticut.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	WILLIAM D. HALL, Pennsylvania.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. T. M. SHANAFELT, Michigan.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	W. W. ALCORN, Ohio.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	JOHN TAYLOR, Pennsylvania.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	OSCAR A. JANES, Michigan.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	D. R. AUSTIN, Ohio.

**NINETEENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, PORTLAND, MAINE,
JUNE 24, 25, 1885**

Headquarters established Washington, D. C. Membership, 294,787.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	SAMUEL S. BURDETT, Washington, D. C.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	SELDON CONNOR, Maine.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN R. LEWIS, Georgia.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	J. C. TUCKER, California.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. LEMUEL H. STEWART, Ohio.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	JOHN CAMERON, Washington, D. C.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	JOHN TAYLOR, Pennsylvania.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	ARGUS D. VANOSDOL, Indiana.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	CHARLES H. GROSVENOR, Ohio.

**TWENTIETH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF.,
AUGUST 4-6, 1886**

Headquarters established Madison, Wis. Membership, 323,571.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	LUCIUS FAIRCHILD, Wisconsin.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	SAMUEL W. BACKUS, California.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	EDGAR ALLEN, Virginia.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	AMBROSE S. EVERETT, Colorado.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. T. C. WARNER, Tennessee.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	E. B. GRAY, Wisconsin.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	JOHN TAYLOR, Pennsylvania.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	JACOB M. HUNTER, Ohio.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	HENRY E. TAINTOR, Connecticut.

**TWENTY-FIRST NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, ST. LOUIS, MO.,
SEPTEMBER 28-30, 1887**

Headquarters established Minneapolis, Minn. Membership, 355,916.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN P. REA, Minnesota.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	NELSON COLE, Missouri.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN C. LINEHAN, New Hampshire.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	FLORENCE DONAHOE, Washington D. C.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. EDW. ANDERSON, Connecticut.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	JOHN TAYLOR, Pennsylvania.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	IRA M. HEDGES, New York.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	WHELOCK G. VEAZEY, Vermont.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	DANIEL FISH, Minnesota.

**TWENTY-SECOND NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, COLUMBUS, OHIO,
SEPTEMBER 12-14, 1888**

Headquarters established Kansas City, Mo. Membership, 372,960.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	WILLIAM WARNER, Missouri.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	MOSES H. NEIL, Ohio.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOSEPH HADFIELD, New York.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	R. M. DE WITT, Iowa.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. STEPHEN G. UPDYKE, Dakota.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	EUGENE F. WEIGEL, Missouri.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	JOHN TAYLOR, Pennsylvania.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	GEORGE S. EVANS, Massachusetts.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	JOHN B. JOHNSON, Kansas.

**TWENTY-THIRD NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, MILWAUKEE, WIS.,
AUGUST 28-30, 1889**

Headquarters established Detroit, Mich. Membership, 397,974.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	RUSSELL A. ALGER, Michigan.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	A. G. WEISSERT, Wisconsin.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN F. LOVETT, New Jersey.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	HORACE P. PORTER, Kansas.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. W. H. CHILDERS, Kentucky.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	GEORGE H. HOPKINS, Michigan.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	JOHN TAYLOR, Pennsylvania.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	LEWIS E. GRIFFITH, New York.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	D. R. AUSTIN, Ohio.

**TWENTY-FOURTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, BOSTON, MASS.,
AUGUST 13, 14, 1890**

Headquarters established Rutland, Vt. Membership, 409,489.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	WHEELOCK G. VEAZEY, Vermont.
<i>Senior vice commanders in chief</i> -----	{ RICHARD F. TOBIN, ³ Massachusetts. GEORGE H. INNIS, Massachusetts.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	GEORGE B. CREAMER, Maryland.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. MYRON W. REED, Colorado.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	BENJAMIN F. STEVENSON, Kentucky.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	JOSEPH H. GOULDING, Vermont.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	JOHN TAYLOR, Pennsylvania.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	JOHN W. BURST, Illinois.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	WILLIAM LOCHREN, Minnesota.

**TWENTY-FIFTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, DETROIT, MICH.,
AUGUST 5-7, 1891**

Headquarters established Albany, N. Y. Membership, 407,781.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN PALMER, New York.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	HENRY M. DUFFIELD, Michigan.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	THAD. S. CLARKSON, Nebraska.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	BENJAMIN V. STEVENSON, Kentucky.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. S. B. PAINE, Florida.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	FRED PHISTERER, New York.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	JOHN TAYLOR, Pennsylvania.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	JOHN F. PRATT, New Jersey.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	JOSEPH H. GOULDING, Vermont.

**TWENTY-SIXTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, WASHINGTON, D. C.,
SEPTEMBER 21, 22, 1892**

Headquarters established Milwaukee, Wis. Membership, 399,880.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	A. G. WEISSERT, Wisconsin.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	R. H. WARFIELD, California.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	PETER B. AYARS, Delaware.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	W. C. WILE, Connecticut.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. D. R. LOWELL, Kansas.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	E. B. GRAY, Wisconsin.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	JOHN TAYLOR, Pennsylvania.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	GEORGE L. GOODALE, Massachusetts.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	JAMES TANNER, New York.

³ Died in office.

**TWENTY-SEVENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, INDIANAPOLIS, IND.,
SEPTEMBER 6, 7, 1893**

Headquarters established Lynn, Mass. Membership, 397,223.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN G. B. ADAMS, Massachusetts.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	IVAN N. WALKER, Indiana.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	J. G. BIGGER, Texas.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	GEORGE R. GRAHAM, Maryland.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	REV. A. V. KENDRICK, Iowa.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	JAMES F. MEECH, Massachusetts.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	LOUIS WAGNER, Pennsylvania.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	ANDREW M. UNDERHILL, New York.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	LEO RASSIEUR, Missouri.

**TWENTY-EIGHTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, PITTSBURGH, PA.,
SEPTEMBER 12, 13, 1894**

Headquarters established Rockford, Ill. Membership 369,083.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	THOMAS G. LAWLER, Illinois.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	A. P. BURCHFIELD, Pennsylvania.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	CHARLES H. SHUTE, Louisiana.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	O. W. WEEKS, Ohio.
<i>Chaplin in chief</i> -----	REV. T. H. HAGGERTY, Missouri.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	C. C. JONES, Illinois.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	JOHN W. BURST, Illinois.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	C. V. R. POND, Michigan.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	MATT H. ELLIS, New York.

**TWENTY-NINTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, LOUISVILLE, KY.,
SEPTEMBER 11-13, 1895**

Headquarters established Indianapolis, Ind. Membership, 357,639.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	IVAN N. WALKER, Indiana.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	E. H. HOBSON, Kentucky.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	S. G. COSGROVE, Washington.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	J. B. WHITING, Wisconsin.
<i>Chaplin in chief</i> -----	REV. THOMAS C. IIFF, Utah.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	IRVIN ROBBINS, Indiana.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	A. J. BURBANK, Illinois.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	WILLIAM M. OLIN, Massachusetts.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	ALFRED DARTE, Pennsylvania.

**THIRTIETH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, ST. PAUL, MINN.,
SEPTEMBER 3, 4, 1896**

Headquarters established Omaha, Nebr. Membership, 340,610.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year.

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	THAD S. CLARKSON, Nebraska.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN H. MULLEN, Minnesota.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	CHARLES W. BUCKLEY, Alabama.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	A. E. JOHNSON, Washington, D. C.
<i>Chaplin in chief</i> -----	REV. MARK B. TAYLOR, Massachusetts.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	CHARLES E. BURMESTER, Nebraska.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	A. J. BURBANK, Illinois.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	CHARLES A. SUYDAM, Pennsylvania.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	ALBERT CLARK, Massachusetts.

THIRTY-FIRST NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, BUFFALO, N. Y., AUGUST 25-27, 1897

Headquarters established Philadelphia, Pa. Membership, 319,456.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN P. S. GOBIN, Pennsylvania.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	ALFRED LYTH, New York
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	FRANCIS B. ALLEN, Connecticut.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	DAVID MCKAY, Texas.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. FRANK C. BRUNER, Illinois.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	THOMAS J. STEWART, Pennsylvania.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	CHARLES BURROWS, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	ALONZO WILLIAMS, Rhode Island.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	ELL TORRANCE, Minnesota.

THIRTY-SECOND NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, CINCINNATI, OHIO, SEPTEMBER 5, 6, 1898

Headquarters established Philadelphia, Pa. Membership, 305,603.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commanders in chief</i> -----	{ JAMES A. SEXTON, ³ Illinois. W. C. JOHNSON, Ohio.
<i>Senior vice commanders in chief</i> -----	{ W. C. JOHNSON, Ohio. DANIEL ROSS, Delaware.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	DANIEL ROSS, Delaware.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	A. S. PIERCE, Nebraska.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. DANIEL LUCAS, Indiana.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	THOMAS J. STEWART, Pennsylvania.
<i>Quartermaster General</i> -----	FRED W. SPINK, Illinois.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	ALONZO WILLIAMS, Rhode Island.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	ELL TORRANCE, Minnesota.

THIRTY-THIRD NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, PHILADELPHIA, PA., SEPTEMBER 6, 7, 1899

Headquarters established Philadelphia, Pa. Membership, 287,918.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	ALBERT D. SHAW, New York.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	IRVIN ROBBINS, Indiana.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	MICHAEL MINTON, Kentucky.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	WILLIAM H. BAKER, Massachusetts.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. JACOB L. GRIMM, Maryland.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	THOMAS J. STEWART, Pennsylvania.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	EDWARD J. ATKINSON, New York.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	NATHAN P. POND, New York.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	ELL TORRANCE, Minnesota.

THIRTY-FOURTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, CHICAGO, ILL., AUGUST 29, 30, 1900

Headquarters established St. Louis, Mo. Membership, 276,612.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	LEO RASSIEUR, Missouri.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	E. C. MILLIKEN, Maine.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	FRANK SEAMAN, Tennessee.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	JOHN A. WILKINS, Ohio.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. AUG. DRAHMS, California.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	FRANK M. STERRETT, Missouri.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	CHARLES BURROWS, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	HENRY S. PECK, Connecticut.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	JAMES H. WOLFF, Massachusetts.

³ Died in office.

THIRTY-FIFTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, CLEVELAND, OHIO, SEPTEMBER 12, 13, 1901

Headquarters established Minneapolis, Minn. Membership, 269,507.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	ELL TORRANCE, Minnesota.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN McELROY, Washington, D. C.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JAMES O'DONNELL, Illinois.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	WILLIAM R. THRALL, Ohio.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. THOMAS N. BOYLE, Pennsylvania.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	SILAS H. TOWLER, Minnesota.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	CHARLES BURROWS, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	W. A. WETHERBEE, Massachusetts.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	HENRY M. DUFFIELD, Michigan.

THIRTY-SIXTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, WASHINGTON, D. C., OCTOBER 9, 10, 1902

Headquarters established Philadelphia, Pa. Membership, 263,745.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	THOMAS J. STEWART, Pennsylvania.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	WILLIAM M. OLIN, Massachusetts.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JAMES P. AVERILL, Georgia.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	A. W. ACHESON, Texas.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. D. B. SHUEY, Kansas.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	JOHN W. SCHALL, Pennsylvania.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	CHARLES BURROWS, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	F. A. WALSH, Wisconsin.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	ALFRED B. BEERS, Connecticut.

THIRTY-SEVENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF., AUGUST 20, 21, 1903

Headquarters established in Chicago, Ill. Membership, 256,510.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN C. BLACK, Illinois.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	C. MASON KINNE, California.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	HARRY C. KESSLER, Montana.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	GEORGE A. HARMAN, Ohio.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. WINFIELD SCOTT, Arizona.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	CHARLES A. PARTRIDGE, Illinois.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	CHARLES BURROWS, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	ERWIN B. MESSER, Iowa.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	JAMES TANNER, New York.

THIRTY-EIGHTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, BOSTON, MASS., AUGUST 17, 18, 1904

Headquarters established Boston, Mass. Membership, 247,340.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commanders in chief</i> -----	{ WILMON W. BLACKMAR, ³ Massachu- setts.
<i>Senior vice commanders in chief</i> -----	{ JOHN R. KING, Maryland. JOHN R. KING, Maryland.
<i>Junior vice commanders in chief</i> -----	{ GEORGE W. PATTEN, Tennessee. GEORGE W. PATTEN, Tennessee.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	E. B. STILLINGS, Massachusetts.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	WARREN R. KING, Indiana.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	Rev. J. H. BRADFORD, Washington, D. C.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	JOHN E. GILMAN, Massachusetts.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	CHARLES BURROWS, New Jersey.
<i>Judge advocates general</i> -----	LEE S. ESTELLE, Nebraska.
	{ AMOS M. THAYER, ³ Missouri. OSCAR L. MOORE, Kansas.

³ Died in office.

THIRTY-NINTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, DENVER, COLO., SEPTEMBER 7, 8, 1905

Headquarters established Washington, D. C. Membership, 232,455.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JAMES TANNER, New York.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	GEORGE W. COOK, Colorado.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	SILAS H. TOWLER, Minnesota.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	HUGO PHILLER, Wisconsin.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. J. F. LEARY, Kansas.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	JOHN TWEEDALE, Washington, D. C.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	FRANK BATTLES, New Hampshire.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	M. J. CUMMINGS, New York.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	CHARLES A. CLARK, Iowa.

FORTIETH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, MINNEAPOLIS, MINN., AUGUST 16, 17, 1906

Headquarters established Zanesville, Ohio. Membership, 235,823.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	ROBERT B. BROWN, Ohio.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	WILLIAM H. ARMSTRONG, Indiana.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	E. B. FENTON, Michigan.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	W. H. JOHNSON, Nebraska.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rt. Rev. JOHN IRELAND, Minnesota.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	JOSEPH W. O'NEALL, Ohio.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	CHARLES BURROWS, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	THOMAS W. EVANS, Missouri.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	FRANK L. CAMPBELL, Washington, D. C.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	WARREN LEE GOSS, New Jersey.

FORTY-FIRST NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, SARATOGA SPRINGS, N. Y., 'SEPTEMBER 12, 13, 1907

Headquarters established Kansas City, Mo. Membership, 229,932.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	CHARLES G. BURTON, Missouri.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	LEWIS E. GRIFFITH, New York.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	W. M. SCOTT, Georgia.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	G. LANE TANEYHILL, Maryland.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rt. Rev. SAMUEL FALLOWS, Illinois.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	JEREMIAH T. DEW, Missouri.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	CHARLES BURROWS, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, New York.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	L. W. COLLINS, Minnesota.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	WARREN LEE GOSS, New Jersey.

FORTY-SECOND NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, TOLEDO, OHIO, SEPTEMBER 3, 4, 1908

Headquarters established Jersey City, N. J. Membership, 225,157.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	HENRY M. NEVIUS, New Jersey.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	J. KENT HAMILTON, Ohio.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	CHARLES C. ROYCE, California.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	G. LANE TANEYHILL, Maryland.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. JOHN F. SPENCE, Tennessee.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	FRANK O. COLE, New Jersey.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, New York.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	WILLIAM H. HORNADAY, Oklahoma.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	ALFRED B. BEERS, Connecticut.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	Rt. Rev. SAMUEL FALLOWS, Illinois.

**FORTY-THIRD NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH,
AUGUST 12, 13, 1909**

Headquarters established Minneapolis, Minn. Membership, 220,600.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	SAMUEL R. VAN SANT, Minnesota.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	WILLIAM M. BOSTAPH, Utah.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	ALFRED B. BEERS, Connecticut.
<i>Surgcon general</i> -----	WILLIAM H. LEMON, Kansas.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. DANIEL RYAN, Indiana.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	GEORGE O. EDDY, Minnesota.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, New York.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	WILLIAM F. CONNER, Texas.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	RUSSELL R. PEALER, Michigan.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	JOHN B. LEWIS, Massachusetts.

**FORTY-FOURTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, ATLANTIC CITY, N. J.,
SEPTEMBER 22, 23, 1910**

Headquarters established Boston, Mass. Membership, 213,901.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN E. GILMAN, Massachusetts.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	CHARLES BURROWS, New Jersey.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	WILLIAM JAMES, Florida.
<i>Surgcon general</i> -----	JOHN L. SMITH, M. D., Washington.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. THOMAS HARWOOD, New Mexico.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	EPHRAIM B. STILLINGS, Massachusetts.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, New York.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	HENRY Z. OSBORNE, California.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	THOMAS S. HOPKINS, Washington, D. C.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	J. S. HOAGLAND, Nebraska.

**FORTY-FIFTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, ROCHESTER, N. Y.,
AUGUST 24, 25, 1911**

Headquarters established Chicago, Ill. Membership, 203,410.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	HARVEY M. TRIMBLE, Illinois.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	NICHOLAS W. DAY, New York.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	WILLIAM A. OGDEN, Kansas.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	Dr. JOHN D. HANRAHAN, Vermont.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. J. WYNNE JONES, Maryland.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	CHARLES R. E. KOCH, Illinois.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, New York.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	JOHN H. MCCLAY, Nebraska.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	WILLIAM A. KETCHAM, Indiana.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	JOHN B. LEWIS, Massachusetts.

**FORTY-SIXTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, LOS ANGELES, CALIF.,
SEPTEMBER 9-14, 1912**

Headquarters established Bridgeport, Conn. Membership, 191,346.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	ALFRED B. BEERS, Connecticut.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	HENRY Z. OSBORNE, California.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	AMERICUS WHEDON, Kentucky.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	Dr. L. L. WHITTAKER, Texas.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. GEORGE E. LOVEJOY, Massachusetts.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	HENRY J. SEELEY, Connecticut.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, New York.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	J. PAYSON BRADLEY, Massachusetts.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	BENJAMIN F. BRYANT, Wisconsin.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	LEVI LONGFELLOW, Minnesota.

FORTY-SEVENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, CHATTANOOGA, TENN., SEPTEMBER 18, 19, 1913

Headquarters established Detroit, Mich. Membership, 180,227.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	WASHINGTON GARDNER, Michigan.
<i>Senior vice commanders in chief</i> -----	THOMAS H. SOWARD, Oklahoma.
<i>Junior vice commanders in chief</i> -----	{ WILLIAM L. ROSS, ⁴ Maine.
	{ A. S. FOWLER, Arkansas.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	J. K. WEAVER, Pennsylvania.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	REV. HORACE M. CARR, Kansas.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	OSCAR A. JANES, Michigan.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, New York.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	LEVI S. WARREN, Michigan.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	P. H. CONEY, Kansas.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	LEVI LONGFELLOW, Minnesota.

FORTY-EIGHTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, DETROIT, MICH., SEPTEMBER 3, 4, 1914

Headquarters established at Des Moines, Iowa. Membership, 171,335.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	DAVID J. PALMER, Iowa.
<i>Junior vice commanders in chief</i> -----	{ JOSEPH B. GRISWOLD, ³ Michigan.
	{ W. F. CONNER, Texas.
<i>Senior vice commanders in chief</i> -----	{ W. F. CONNER, Texas.
	{ OSCAR A. JANES, Michigan.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	DR. LEWIS S. PILCHER, New York.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	REV. ORVILLE J. NAVE, California.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	GEORGE A. NEWMAN, Iowa.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, New York.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	CHARLES E. BEACH, Vermont.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	HARRY WHITE, Pennsylvania.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	CYRUS A. BROOKS, Colorado.

FORTY-NINTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, WASHINGTON, D. C., SEPTEMBER 30 AND OCTOBER 1, 1915

Headquarters established at Cincinnati, Ohio. Membership, 159,853.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	ELIAS R. MONFORT, Ohio.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	GEORGE H. SLAYBAUGH, Washington, D. C.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	LE VANT DODGE, Kentucky.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	DR. REUBEN A. ADAMS, New York.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	REV. BENJAMIN F. CLARKSON, Mary- land.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	DR. JOHN M. ADAMS, Ohio.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, New York.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	PATRICK H. CONEY, Kansas.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	WILLIAM A. KETCHAM, Indiana.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	URIAH SEELY, New Jersey.

³ Died in office.

⁴ Resigned.

FIFTIETH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, KANSAS CITY, MO., AUGUST 28 TO SEPTEMBER 2, 1916

Headquarters established at Pittsburgh, Pa. Members, 140,074.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	W. J. PATTERSON, Pittsburgh, Pa.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	WILLIAM H. WORMSTEAD, Kansas City.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	E. K. RUSS, New Orleans, La.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	WILLIAM M. HANNA, Aurora, Ill.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. O. S. REED, Manzanola, Colo.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	H. H. BENGOUGH, Pittsburgh, Pa.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, New York.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	CHARLES H. HASKINS, California.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	RALZEMOND A. PARKER, Michigan.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	URIAH SEELY, New Jersey.

FIFTY-FIRST NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, BOSTON, MASS., AUGUST 20-25, 1917

Headquarters established at Indianapolis, Ind. Membership, 135,931.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	ORLANDO A. SOMERS, Kokomo, Ind.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN L. CLEM, Atlanta, Ga.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN M. VERNON, Chicago, Ill.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	JOHN M. ADAMS, Cincinnati, Ohio.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. C. H. FRADY, Helena, Mont.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	ROBERT W. MCBRIDE, Indianapolis, Ind.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, New York.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	THOMAS H. BROWN, Sioux Falls, S. Dak.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	SMITH STIMMEL, Fargo, N. Dak.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	WILLIAM C. CALLAND, Springfield, Mo.

FIFTY-SECOND NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, PORTLAND, OREG., AUGUST 18-24, 1918

Headquarters established at Lincoln, Nebr. Membership, 120,916.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	CLARENDON E. ADAMS, Omaha, Nebr.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN G. CHAMBERS, Portland, Oreg.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	CHAS. H. HABER, National Home, Va.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	CHESTER M. FERRIN, Burlington, Vt.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. PHILIP A. NORDELL, Boston, Mass.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	ALBERT M. TRIMBLE, Lincoln, Nebr.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, Buffalo, N. Y.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	THOMAS S. HOPKINS, Washington, D. C.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	THOMAS H. BROWN, Sioux Falls, S. Dak.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	GEORGE D. KELLOGG, Newcastle, Calif.

FIFTY-THIRD NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, COLUMBUS, OHIO, SEPTEMBER 7-13, 1919

Headquarters established at Brooklyn, N. Y., later removed to Columbus, Ohio. Membership, 110,357.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commanders in chief</i> -----	{ JAMES D. BELL, ¹ Brooklyn, N. Y. DANIEL M. HALL, Columbus, Ohio.
<i>Senior vice commanders in chief</i> -----	{ DANIEL M. HALL, Columbus, Ohio. CHARLES B. WILSON, Los Angeles, Calif.
<i>Junior vice commanders in chief</i> -----	{ CHARLES B. WILSON, Los Angeles, Calif. ISIDORE ISAACS, New York, N. Y.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	STEPHEN I. BROWN, Knox, Ind.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. W. W. GIST, Cedar Falls, Iowa.
<i>Adjutants general</i> -----	{ ISIDORE ISAACS, New York, N. Y. JOSEPH W. O'NEALL, Columbus, Ohio.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, Buffalo, N. Y.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	WILLIAM A. KETCHAM, Indianapolis, Ind.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	JAMES C. TAYLOR, Newark, N. J.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	HOSEA W. ROOD, Madison, Wis.

FIFTY-FOURTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, INDIANAPOLIS, IND., SEPTEMBER 19-25, 1920

Headquarters established at Indianapolis, Ind. Membership, 103,258.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	WILLIAM A. KETCHAM, Indianapolis, Ind.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	GEORGE A. HOSLEY, Boston, Mass.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	J. E. GANDY, Spokane, Wash.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	C. W. BURRILL, Kansas City, Mo.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	WILLIAM A. BOSWORTH, Wichita, Kans.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	MAHLON D. BUTLER, Indianapolis, Ind.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, Buffalo, N. Y.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	THOMAS S. HOPKINS, Washington, D. C.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	Dr. M. W. WOOD, Boise, Idaho.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	SMITH STIMMEL, Fargo, N. Dak.

FIFTY-FIFTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, INDIANAPOLIS, IND., SEPTEMBER 25-29, 1921

Headquarters established at Brooklyn, N. Y. Membership, 93,171.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	Dr. LEWIS S. PILCHER, Brooklyn, N. Y.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	ROBERT W. MCBRIDE, Indianapolis, Ind.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	HENRY A. JOHNSON, Washington, D. C.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	Dr. MARSHALL W. WOOD, Boise, Idaho.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. GEORGE B. SMITH, Minneapolis, Minn.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	WILLIAM C. PECKHAM, Brooklyn, N. Y.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, Buffalo, N. Y.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	THOMAS S. HOPKINS, Washington, D. C.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	RICHARD A. SABLE, San Francisco, Calif.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	LEVI LONGFELLOW, Minneapolis, Minn.

¹ Died in office.

**FIFTY-SIXTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, DES MOINES, IOWA,
SEPTEMBER 24-29, 1922**

Headquarters established at Des Moines, Iowa. Membership, 85,621.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JAMES W. WILLETT, Tama, Iowa.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	C. S. BRODBENT, San Antonio, Tex.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	CRAVEN V. GARDNER, Rapid City, S. Dak.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	GEORGE TRYON HARDING, M. D., Marion, Ohio.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. J. H. EPPLER, Gary, Ind.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	JOHN P. RISLEY, Des Moines, Iowa.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, Buffalo, N. Y.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	ROBERT W. MCBRIDE, Indianapolis, Ind.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	Dr. MARSHALL W. WOOD, Boise, Idaho.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	JOHN M. WILLIAMS, California, Mo.

**FIFTY-SEVENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, MILWAUKEE, WIS.,
SEPTEMBER 2-8, 1923**

Headquarters established at Van Wert, Ohio. Membership, 76,126.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	GAYLORD M. SALTZGABER, Van Wert, Ohio.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	FRANK A. WALSH, Milwaukee, Wis.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	GEORGE T. LEECH, Baltimore, Md.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	C. W. BURRILL, Kansas City, Mo.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	CHARLES L. SHERGUR, Union Springs, N. Y.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	ANDREW S. BURT, Van Wert, Ohio.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, Buffalo, N. Y.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	ROBERT W. MCBRIDE, Indianapolis, Ind.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	OTTO SHIMANSKY, Sandusky, Ohio.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	CHARLES O. BROWN, Oak Park, Ill.

**FIFTY-EIGHTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, BOSTON, MASS.,
AUGUST 10-15, 1924**

Headquarters established at Philadelphia, Pa. Membership, 65,382.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	LOUIS D. ARENSBERG, Pittsburgh, Pa.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	WILFRED A. WETHERBEE, Boston, Mass.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN REESE, Broken Bow, Nebr.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	Dr. JOSEPH E. HALL, Portland, Oreg.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. CHAS. W. BLODGETT, Cincinnati, Ohio.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	SAMUEL P. TOWN, Philadelphia, Pa.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, Buffalo, N. Y.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	ROBERT W. MCBRIDE, Indianapolis, Ind.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	GEORGE T. LEECH, Baltimore, Md.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	LEVI LONGFELLOW, Minneapolis, Minn.

FIFTY-NINTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, GRAND RAPIDS, MICH.,
AUGUST 30 TO SEPTEMBER 5, 1925

Headquarters established at Springfield, Ill. Membership 55,817.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN B. INMAN, Springfield, Ill.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	OSCAR A. JAMES, Detroit, Mich.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	WILLIAM O. ALLEN, Newark, N. J.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	Dr. JOHN GILBERT, Fall River, Mass.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. WILLIAM P. MCKINLEY, Lebanon, Ind.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	HENRY B. DAVIDSON, Springfield, Ill.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, Buffalo, N. Y.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	ROBERT W. MCBRIDE, ² Indianapolis, Ind.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	ISAAC COLE, Maplewood, N. J.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	LEVI LONGFELLOW, Minneapolis, Minn.

SIXTIETH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, DES MOINES, IOWA,
SEPTEMBER 19-25, 1926

Headquarters established at Milwaukee, Wis. Membership, 47,179.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	FRANK A. WALSH, Milwaukee, Wis.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	A. G. BEATTY, Independence, Iowa.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	C. H. HASKINS, Los Angeles, Calif.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	Dr. C. W. BURRILL, Kansas City, Mo.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. ROBERT H. HILL, Albany, N. Y.
<i>Adjutants general</i> -----	{ CHARLES H. HENRY, ³ Eau Claire, Wis. CHARLES KAYSER, ² Milwaukee, Wis. GEORGE W. MORTON, Berlin, Wis.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	C. D. R. STOWITS, Buffalo, N. Y.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	W. G. COCHRAN, Sullivan, Ill.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	FRANK DAGLE, Des Moines, Iowa.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	SMITH STIMMEL, Fargo, N. Dak.

SIXTY-FIRST NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, GRAND RAPIDS, MICH.,
SEPTEMBER 11-16, 1927

Headquarters established in State Capitol, Sacramento, Calif. Membership, 38,801.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	ELBRIDGE L. HAWK, Sacramento, Calif.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	CALVIN A. BRAINARD, Buffalo, N. Y.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	SAMUEL E. MAHAN, St. Paul, Minn.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	Dr. HENRY A. JOHNSON, Washington, D. C.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. J. KING GIBSON, National Military Home, Dayton, Ohio.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	WILLIAM H. NOLL, Los Angeles, Calif.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	C. D. R. STOWITS, Buffalo, N. Y.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	JOHN REESE, Broken Bow, Nebr.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	WALTER L. FUNK, Grand Rapids, Mich.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	CHARLES W. BLODGETT, Cincinnati, Ohio.

² Died in office.

³ Resigned.

SIXTY-SECOND NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, DENVER, COLO., SEPTEMBER 16-21, 1928

Headquarters were established in Broken Bow, Nebr. Membership, 32,614.
The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN REESE, Broken Bow, Nebr.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JAMES E. JEWEL, Fort Morgan, Colo.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	HENRY J. KEARNEY, New York, N. Y.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	Dr. S. W. HOPKINS, Lodi, Calif.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. J. KING GIBSON, National Military Home, Ohio.
<i>Adjutants general</i> -----	{ THOMAS J. SMITH, ⁴ McCook, Nebr. MELVIN K. HAGADORN, Broken Bow, Nebr.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, Buffalo, N. Y.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	JAMES W. WILLETT, Tama, Iowa.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	W. C. CALLAND, Springfield, Mo.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	CHARLES W. BLODGETT, Cincinnati, Ohio.

SIXTY-THIRD NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, PORTLAND, MAINE, SEPTEMBER 8-13, 1929

Headquarters established in Worcester, Mass. Membership, 26,219.
The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	EDWIN J. FOSTER, Worcester, Mass.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	C. E. NASON, Gray, Maine.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	J. W. SHIELDS, Boise, Idaho.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	Dr. EDWARD H. COWAN, Crawfordsville, Ind.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. J. KING GIBSON, Dayton, Ohio.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	WILFRED A. WETHERBEE, Newton, Mass.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, Buffalo, N. Y.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	JAMES W. WILLETT, Tama, Iowa.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	WILLIAM H. NOLL, Los Angeles, Calif.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	C. W. BLODGETT, Cincinnati, Ohio.

SIXTY-FOURTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, CINCINNATI, OHIO, AUGUST 24-28, 1930

Headquarters established at Fort Morgan, Colo. Membership, 21,080.
The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JAMES E. JEWEL, Fort Morgan, Ohio.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JACOB SECREST, Cincinnati, Ohio.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	CHARLES H. LEWIS, Pawtucket, R. I.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	Dr. EDWARD H. COWAN, Crawfordsville, Ind.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. HENRY HILTON WOOD, Long Beach, Calif.
<i>Adjutants general</i> -----	{ DAVID N. HEIZER, ⁴ Colorado Springs, Colo. ABRAHAM L. EMIGH, Fort Morgan, Colo.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	{ COLA D. R. STOWITS, ³ Buffalo, N. Y. EDWARD HURLEY, Buffalo, N. Y.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	SAMUEL M. HENCH, Fort Wayne, Ind.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	WILLIAM H. NOLL, Los Angeles, Calif.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	ROBERT W. HILL, Albany, N. Y.

³ Died in office.

⁴ Resigned.

SIXTY-FIFTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, DES MOINES, IOWA, SEPTEMBER 13-18, 1931

Headquarters established at Philadelphia, Pa. Membership, 16,578.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	SAMUEL P. TOWN, Philadelphia, Pa.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	OLEY NELSON, Slater, Iowa.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	RUSSELL C. MARTIN, Los Angeles, Calif.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	Dr. SAMUEL A. CAMPBELL, Mattoon, Ill.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. JESSE B. BARTLEY, Omaha, Nebr.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	WASHINGTON F. HAMBRIGHT, Lancaster, Pa.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	EDWARD HURLEY, Buffalo, N. Y.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	JOHN REESE, Broken Bow, Nebr.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	IRA R. WILDMAN, Danbury, Conn.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	JOHN F. PICKERILL, Seattle, Wash.

SIXTY-SIXTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, SPRINGFIELD, ILL., SEPTEMBER 18-24, 1932

Headquarters established at Chicago, Ill. Membership, 13,066.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commanders in chief</i> -----	{ WILLIAM P. WRIGHT, ³ Chicago, Ill. RUSSELL C. MARTIN, Los Angeles, Calif.
<i>Senior vice commanders in chief</i> -----	{ RUSSELL C. MARTIN, Los Angeles, Calif. CHARLES E. JONES, Tuscaloosa, Ala.
<i>Junior vice commanders in chief</i> -----	{ CHARLES E. JONES, Tuscaloosa, Ala. ARTHUR DAWSON, Oak Park, Ill.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	Dr. EDWARD H. COWAN, Crawfordsville, Ind.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. J. KING GIBSON, Dayton, Ohio.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	CALVIN A. BRAINARD, Waukegan, Ill.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	SAMUEL P. TOWN, Philadelphia, Pa.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	JAMES W. WILLETT, Tama, Iowa.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	EMMET F. TAGGART, Akron, Ohio.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	HENRY B. DAVIDSON, Springfield, Ill.

SIXTY-SEVENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, ST. PAUL, MINN., SEPTEMBER 17-22, 1933

Headquarters established at Los Angeles, Calif. Membership, 10,138.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	RUSSELL C. MARTIN, Los Angeles, Calif.
<i>Senior vice commanders in chief</i> -----	{ THOMAS H. PEACON, ³ Minneapolis, Minn. EDWIN H. LINCOLN, Pittsfield, Mass.
<i>Junior vice commanders in chief</i> -----	{ EDWIN H. LINCOLN, Pittsfield, Mass. JOHN E. ANDREW, Quincy, Ill.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	Dr. A. B. GARRETT, Gallipolis, Ohio.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. J. KING GIBSON, Dayton, Ohio.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	DARWIN B. WOLCOTT, Los Angeles, Calif.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	SAMUEL P. TOWN, Philadelphia, Pa.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	JAMES W. WILLETT, Tama, Iowa.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	T. M. KELLOGG, Portland, Oreg.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	J. S. DUMSER, Oakland, Calif.

³ Died in office.

SIXTY-EIGHTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, ROCHESTER, N. Y., AUGUST 12-18, 1934

Headquarters established at Syracuse, N. Y. Membership, 7,807.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	ALFRED E. STACEY, Elbridge, N. Y.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	HARDING I. MERRILL, Wichita, Kans.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	GEORGE H. POUNDER, Fort Atkinson, Wis.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	Dr. EDWARD H. COWAN, Crawfords- ville, Ind.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. J. KING GIBSON, Dayton, Ohio.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	CALVIN A. BRAINARD, Jackson, Mich.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	SAMUEL P. TOWN, Philadelphia, Pa.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	JAMES W. WILLETT, Tama, Iowa.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	M. H. DAVIDSON, Louisville, Ky.
<i>National patriotic instructors</i> -----	{ HENRY B. DAVIDSON, ³ Springfield, Ill. C. PERRY LOMAX, ³ Lincoln, Nebr.

SIXTY-NINTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, GRAND RAPIDS, MICH., SEPTEMBER 8-14, 1935

Headquarters established at Des Moines, Iowa. Membership, 6,244.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	OLEY NELSON, Slater, Iowa.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	A. C. ESTABROOK, Grand Rapids, Mich.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	OVERTON H. MENNET, Los Angeles, Calif.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	Dr. A. B. GARRETT, Gallipolis, Ohio.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. J. KING GIBSON, Dayton, Ohio.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	JOHN P. RISLEY, Des Moines, Iowa.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	SAMUEL P. TOWN, Philadelphia, Pa.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	JAMES W. WILLETT, Tama, Iowa.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	JAMES C. THOMAS, Chicago, Ill.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	WILLIAM F. DORSEY, Washington, D. C.

SEVENTIETH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, WASHINGTON, D. C., SEPTEMBER 20-26, 1936

Headquarters established at Pittsburgh, Pa. Membership, 4,391.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	C. H. WILLIAM RUHE, Pittsburgh, Pa.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	HENRY F. RUSSELL, Alliance, Ohio.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	THOMAS AMBROSE, Chicago, Ill.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	Dr. EDWARD H. COWAN, Crawfordsville, Ind.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. J. KING GIBSON, Dayton, Ohio.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	{ JOHN LITTLE, ³ Pittsburgh, Pa. GEORGE SANDS, Pittsburgh, Pa.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	{ SAMUEL P. TOWN, ³ Philadelphia, Pa. SAMUEL S. FOWLER, Philadelphia, Pa.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	JAMES W. WILLETT, Tama, Iowa.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	ROBERT M. ROWND, Ripley, N. Y.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	J. W. CARROLL, Lisbon, N. Dak.

³ Died in office.

**SEVENTY-FIRST NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, MADISON, WIS.,
SEPTEMBER 5-10, 1937**

Headquarters established at Los Angeles, Calif. Membership, 3,325.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	OVERTON H. MENNET, Los Angeles, Calif.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	HENRY HELD, West Allis, Wis.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	ROBERT M. ROWND, Ripley, N. Y.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	DR. EDWARD H. COWAN, Crawfordsville, Ind.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. MARTIN V. STONE, Jamestown, N. Y.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	RUSSELL C. MARTIN, Los Angeles, Calif.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	SAMUEL S. FOWLER, Philadelphia, Pa.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	JAMES W. WILLETT, Tama, Iowa.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	R. H. HOFFMAN, Denver, Colo.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	RUSTAN O. REED, Seattle, Wash.

**SEVENTY-SECOND NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, DES MOINES, IOWA,
SEPTEMBER 4-9, 1938**

Headquarters established at Ripley, N. Y. Membership, 2,443.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	ROBERT M. ROWND, Ripley, N. Y.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	FRANK L. QUADE, Dubuque, Iowa.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN W. CARROLL, Lisbon, N. Dak.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	{ DR. A. B. GARRETT, ³ Gallipolis, Ohio. DR. EDWARD H. COWAN, Crawfordsville, Ind.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. JOSHUA C. PEARCE, Denver, Colo.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	{ MARTIN V. STONE, ³ Jamestown, N. Y. JOSIAH C. READ, ³ New York, N. Y. GEORGE SANDS, Pittsburgh, Pa.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	{ EDWIN H. LINCOLN, ³ Pittsfield, Mass. JOHN E. ANDREW, Quincy, Ill.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	JAMES W. WILLETT, Tama, Iowa.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	THOMAS AMBROSE, Chicago, Ill.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	TRUMAN N. PARSONS, Stratford, Conn.

**SEVENTY-THIRD NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, PITTSBURGH, PA.,
AUGUST 27 TO SEPTEMBER 1, 1939**

Headquarters established at Springfield, Ill. Membership, 1,701.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	{ JOHN E. ANDREW, ³ Quincy, Ill. A. T. ANDERSON, Washington, Pa.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	{ A. T. ANDERSON, Washington, Pa. W. W. NIXON, Jewell, Kans.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	{ W. W. NIXON, Jewell, Kans. WILLIAM H. MCCOY, Trenton, N. J.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	DR. EDWARD H. COWAN, Crawfordsville, Ind.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. JOSHUA C. PEARCE, Denver, Colo.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	THOMAS AMBROSE, Chicago, Ill.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	M. H. DAVIDSON, ³ Louisville, Ky.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	{ JAMES W. WILLETT, ³ Tama, Iowa. T. J. NOLL, Des Moines, Iowa.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	O. S. PIERCE, Minneapolis, Minn.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	Dr. JOHN H. STONE, Kokomo, Ind.

³ Died in office.

SEVENTY-FOURTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, SPRINGFIELD, ILL., SEPTEMBER 8-13, 1940

Headquarters established at Topeka, Kans. Membership, 1,039.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	W. W. NIXON, Jewell, Kans.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	THOMAS AMBROSE, Chicago, Ill.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	RUSTAN O. REED, Seattle, Wash.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	Dr. EDWARD H. COWAN, Crawfordsville, Ind.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. JOSHUA C. PEARCE, Denver, Colo.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	RUSSELL C. MARTIN, Los Angeles, Calif.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	{ A. C. EASTABROOK, ³ Grand Rapids, Mich. J. A. HAMILTON, Lansing, Mich.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	THOMAS J. NOLL, Des Moines, Iowa.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	JOSEPH B. HENNINGER, Indianapolis, Ind.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	{ ASA O. GERE, ³ Stafford, Kans. T. A. PENLAND, Portland, Oreg.

SEVENTY-FIFTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, COLUMBUS, OHIO, SEPTEMBER 14-19, 1941

Headquarters established at Springfield, Ill. Membership, 763.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	GEORGE A. GAY, Nashua, N. H.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	THOMAS RIDENOUR, Crestline, Ohio.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN S. DUMSER, Oakland, Calif.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	Dr. EDWARD H. COWAN, Crawfords- ville, Ind.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. JOSHUA C. PEARCE, Denver, Colo.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	RUSSELL C. MARTIN, Los Angeles, Calif.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	J. A. HAMILTON, Lansing, Mich.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	THOMAS J. NOLL, Des Moines, Iowa.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	LEWIS H. EASTERLY, Gunnison, Colo.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	{ GEORGE W. GREEN, ³ Jamaica Plain, Mass. JOHN E. BRONSON, East Dedham, Mass.

SEVENTY-SIXTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, INDIANAPOLIS, IND., SEPTEMBER 13-18, 1942

Headquarters established at Oakland, Calif. Membership, 518.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN S. DUMSER, Oakland, Calif.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	ISAAC W. SHARP, Warsaw, Ind.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	CHARLES H. PERRY, Minneapolis, Minn.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	THOMAS RIDENOUR, Crestline, Ohio.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	ROBERT M. ROWND, Ripley, N. Y.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	RUSSELL C. MARTIN, Los Angeles, Calif.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	EUGENE OWEN, Grand Rapids, Mich.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	THOMAS J. NOLL, Des Moines, Iowa.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	HIRAM H. SHUMATE, Riverton, Ill.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	WILLIAM H. OSBORN, Joplin, Mo.

³ Died in office.

SEVENTY-SEVENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, MILWAUKEE, WIS., SEPTEMBER 19-24, 1943

Headquarters established at Augusta, Maine; later moved to Portland, Maine. Membership, 393.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	GEORGE H. JONES, Oxford, Maine.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	LANSING A. WILCOX, Cadott, Wis.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	HIRAM H. SHUMATE, Riverton, Ill.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	THOMAS RIDENOUR, Crestline, Ohio.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	ROBERT M. ROWND, Ripley, N. Y.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	RUSSELL C. MARTIN, Los Angeles, Calif.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	{ EUGENE OWEN, ³ Grand Rapids, Mich. WILLIAM H. FERGUSON, Kent City, Mich.
<i>Judge Advocate General</i> -----	WILLIAM W. NIXON, ³ Jewell, Kans.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	JOHN M. GUDGEL, Shenandoah, Iowa.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	LOUIS E. QUINT, Minneapolis, Minn.

SEVENTY-EIGHTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, DES MOINES, IOWA, SEPTEMBER 10-15, 1944⁵

Headquarters established at Warsaw, Ind. Membership, 249.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	ISAAC W. SHARP, Warsaw, Ind.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN M. GUDGEL, Shenandoah, Iowa.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	HIRAM R. GALE, Seattle, Wash.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	{ MARTIN J. WARNER, ³ Grand Rapids, Mich. ROBERT M. ROWND, Ripley, N. Y.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	RUSSELL C. MARTIN, Los Angeles, Calif.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	{ WILLIAM H. FERGUSON, ³ Kent City, Mich. JOHN C. ADAMS, Jonesboro, Ind.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	THEODORE A. PENLAND, Portland, Oreg.

SEVENTY-NINTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, COLUMBUS, OHIO, SEPTEMBER 30-OCTOBER 4, 1945

Headquarters established in Seattle, Wash. Membership, 163.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	HIRAM R. GALE, Seattle, Wash.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN H. GRATE, Atwater, Ohio.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	THEODORE A. PENLAND, Portland, Oreg.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	ROBERT M. ROWND, Ripley, N. Y.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	{ RUSSELL C. MARTIN, ³ Los Angeles, Calif. ISAAC W. SHARP, Warsaw, Ind.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	JOHN C. ADAMS, Jonesboro, Ind.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	ORLANDO LE VALLEY, Caro, Mich.
<i>Chief of staff</i> -----	JOHN S. DUMSER, Oakland, Calif.

³ Died in office.

⁵ Offices of Surgeon General, Judge Advocate General, and Inspector General abolished.

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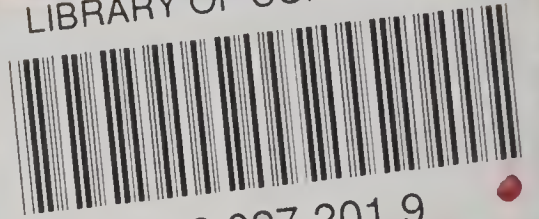


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